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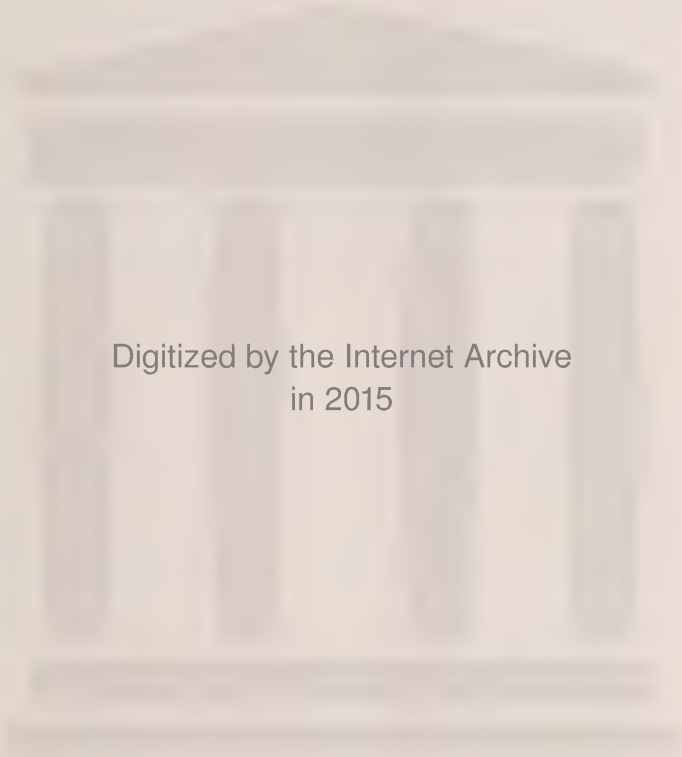
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WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

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THE empty cry about its "taking two dollars to send one dollar to the foreign field" is unusually hollow this year, when the rate of silver exchange has gained $54,000 to the Board of Foreign Missions; that is to say, if the Board had been obliged to pay all its bills in *this* country, it would have required $54,000 more to pay them. This is encouraging to those who can make only small offerings.

TREASURER'S REPORT goes to General Assembly as follows: By Balance Deficit carried forward to new year, $102,597.79.

AMOUNT sent to the Treasury from the Woman's Boards and Societies was $324,003.11, the largest sum derived from any one source, but—a falling off by $5,886.09 from the gifts of last year.

"SOME of the Brazilian teachers are doing such beautifully clean, telling work," writes Miss Scott. "My young matron did the work of three and would never acknowledge she was tired," writes Miss Annie Morton. Yes, and it is they and the Esteers in Syria, the O Mitsu Sans in Japan, the noble Shuwhas and A Kwans in China and the nice Bais at Kolhapur and the Julias in Gaboon, that our Societies want to and must provide for, rather than these unauthorized foreigners who are so numerous since the World's Fair. They are here for their own personal advancement. *Our* women are at home building up the gospel work among their countrywomen. Deficit in the Missions' Treasury means cutting off such approved workers—and they were nursed at our side.

THOSE who are not posted are sometimes beguiled by these engaging foreigners with their Eastern eyes and broken English, but all-the-year-round givers should be able to spot adventurers. When one addresses a Christian audience and has nothing to say about her people needing Christ, about missions in her country, nor the American school there in which she was kindly taught, the proof is conclusive that she is unworthy of American benevolence. Let us keep in mind those deserving ones who stay at home and share with others the blessings which they have received.

EFULEN (Ef-oo-len) is the name given by the Bule (Boo-ley) people to the new interior station in Nkoñemekak district.

A SECOND station beyond Efulen is our next goal in Africa. Given: another such trio as opened Efulen and, please God, we will have another as good report to make next year.

MR. OSCAR ROBERTS of Michigan University, an expert civil engineer, is under appointment for Interior Africa. Mr. Roberts is originally from Indiana, of the Society of Friends, but, latterly, from the Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor, where he was superintendent of the largest mission Sunday-school. Twenty-six years of age and experienced in railroading in West Virginia, a most competent man for this great undertaking is Mr. Roberts.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY for Africa: An ordained man and a physician to the Interior, and a German-speaking layman as teacher at Batanga, that Mr. Godduhn may take a furlough before his health breaks.

WANTED—unceasing prayer in our societies that the above-named wants for Africa be wholly met, and others also, for Angom and Baraka and Benito stations.

MOSUL, on the Tigris River, still offers a post to a physician, whose skill cannot be too superior nor his missionary zeal of too high grade.

STILL ANOTHER DOCTOR (a man) wanted for the Laos.

THREE persons are under appointment to the Laos Mission; added to the five sent

out last year, it leaves ten yet due of those "eighteen recruits" for whom the Mission strenuously appealed and the Lao Christians are praying.

THE corner-stone of Mackenzie College was laid at San Paulo, Brazil, on February 12. The Minister of Education delivered an address and, with the Mayor of the city and the candidate for presidency of the Republic, assisted in placing the granite block of half a ton's weight in its place. Deposited in the copper box were the Scriptures in English and two Portuguese versions, a copy of the Constitution of the Republic and documents relating to the college.

INTERNATIONAL Missionary Union meets at Clifton Springs, June 13–20.

MRS. JOHN BUTLER, of Ningpo, may be addressed 3304 N. 29th St., Tacoma, Wash.

THE SHAH of Persia sent for Dr. Wishard about the first of February and thanked him, in the presence of his ministers, for services rendered in his household.

AT Tabriz, Persia, where they have long been watching for the morning, they saw with thankfulness six boys received to the Church in January and sixteen other persons accepted on probation.

WISHING to know how well the Infant Class remembered, Mrs. Reutlinger called up a six-year-old African child and found she could answer about thirty questions on the Life of Christ, "as brightly as any little child in a Christian family at home." Of such is the kingdom of heaven—white or black.

THE members of Seoul Station some time ago proposed the removal of our girls' school from its present proximity to other schools, in order to create a new center in the city for work among Korean women, and they wait only for favorable arrangements in regard to location to accomplish the removal.

THE advantage of a bold hitting straight from the shoulder, over a fencing with argument, was well illustrated by a certain Canadian missionary in India. It was raining and he and his helper had gathered a crowd under a village horseshed. "Raghu had not been speaking long before he was interrupted by a Mohammedan's question, 'Who was Christ's father?' I stopped him and said, 'What did Mahomet create the Mohammedan religion for? Was it not to put down idolatry? When we were speaking a short time ago over by the temples and were fighting the idolatry of the Hindus, did you help us? Have you ever opened your mouth to speak against idolatry since you have been in Berwai? Yet, immediately we Christians come to carry out the very same purpose, you oppose us.' He was ashamed of himself, and admitted at once 'that's true, Sahib.' He was the first to buy a Gospel, and followed us round during the rest of our stay."

ONE day as the teacher entered Sangli school, the girls were so pre-occupied with their writing that they failed to give their usual greeting. This interest in preparing lessons was encouraging until, on examining slates, she discovered that every child in school had written or copied an invocation to the elephant-head god of wisdom, whose annual season of worship began that day.

DR. THOMAS and his party arrived at Lakawn, Laos, March 17, after a river trip of nearly six weeks from Bangkok.

THE *Kalamazoo* returned to Bangkok in March, bringing Rev. E. P. Dunlap and his family after a six weeks' itineration down the east coast of the Gulf of Siam. They found only three persons confessing Jesus Christ. The Governor in Krat Province invited them to join in celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the King's accession, and Mr. Dunlap accepted on condition that he should entertain them one evening with his sciopticon Bible pictures. This secured official announcement and a large audience, including the Governor, officials, soldiers, priests and others. Sold 1753 copies of Scriptures or Christian books.

TWENTY copies of the mission paper *Daybreak* are subscribed for by the Paknam Railway Company (English) and distributed as free reading on the cars. Paknam is twenty-five miles below Bangkok, at the mouth of the river.

THE *Cosmopolitan* for May contains two articles which we recommend to societies: "Siam and the Siamese" and "England's Latest Conquest in Africa."

REV. AND MRS. J. A. DODDS have been very ill from typhus fever, at Zacatecas, Mexico, but are recovering.

DR. CHAS. S. TERRILL, who went to Hainan last autumn, has been obliged to seek medical advice in his own behalf.

OUR MISSIONARIES IN AFRICA,

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Direct letters for Batanga and Efulen, "Batanga, Kamerun." All others, "Gaboon, Congo Française, *via* Paris."

Mrs. T. Spencer Ogden,	Baraka, or Libreville.	Mrs. W. C. Gault,	Fatanga.
Miss Hulda Christensen,	Benito.	Mrs. Geo. A. Godduhn,	"
Mrs. C. De Heer,	"	Mrs. Chas. J. Laffin,	"
Mrs. Louise Reutlinger,	"	Miss Isabella A. Nassau,	"
Miss Louise Babe,	Batanga.	Mrs. W. A. Bannerman,	Angom.

In This Country: Mrs. A. C. Good, 53 Fifth Ave., New York. *In England:* Mrs. A. W. Marling.

HOUSEKEEPING IN THE "BUSH."

EFULEN STATION, OCCUPIED JULY 21, 1893.

IRST, the house. It was built by the Advance Guard from materials hewn out of the virgin forest on the spot. It has plank floors, bark walls, roof of thatch; no sash nor glass, but open window places protected by shutters. The parts more difficult to construct, like shutters and doors, fell to Mr. Kerr and he has made them so as to "last for years." Three corner rooms are private to the use of our three brethren and the fourth is a storeroom. The only remaining room runs through the center of the house, opening on a porch at each end. In this hall-diningroom-parlor is the celebrated "fire-place." It is built of clay, with depressed top on which a fire has been burning most of the time since it was made. Fuel bills are at zero in Efulen. There is no chimney, so the smoke circulates in true African style. "A very comfortable house 16 ft. x 28." It cost $52.80; the workmen's wages were sixteen and eighteen cents a day. The planks were taken out with a pitsaw.

Furniture? One folding traveling-bed, one cot bed, and for Dr. Good (the General,) nothing less African than a bedstead made by himself and a mattress stuffed with corn husks. They eat from a circular dining-table. It was in preparation for them before the Board of Foreign Missions was incorporated. The top is a slice of a giant forest tree * with the bark left on, and is supported upon stakes for legs. The sheet which first covered it has been replaced by a table-cloth; the dishes are enameled ware. Instead of upholstered chairs are stools which harmonize with the table in design. We hear nothing of bric-a-brac or piano lamps, so it appears that our brethren are able to otherwise put in the time saved from dusting.

Kitchen? Half a shed—that is, a roof and a wall on one side—prevents the rain from putting out the fire. Some stakes driven into the ground, with three or four iron bands stretched across them, is the simple substitute for a range and can accommodate perhaps two stew-pans at a time. Oven there is none. The ladies at the Coast have experimented in forwarding samples of their baking by in-going caravans. In every case but one, the bread was mould by the time it arrived at Efulen. A batch of cookies fared better. It requires the greatest knack and vigilance to so wrap and seal packages, including mail, that they shall be transported by carriers, uninjured. One of the constant liabilities is a soaking in some of the many streams which have to be forded.

The station is 1,600 feet above sea level and commands a crystal spring, bracing air and a fine view. Mr. Milligan says, "Our hill like Mount Zion is beautiful for situation, in the midst of mountains great and grand as far as the eye can see." Plantains, bananas, palms and other fruit trees have been started.

Mr. Kerr writes, "We have had tomatoes, radishes, turnips, lettuce, and good Irish potatoes. It is hard work, making garden on our hill, the soil is so poor and full of roots which must be dug out before we can grow large crops; but I think we can raise a good many vegetables."

Near the dwelling-house is the prayer-house, built by the people themselves. Here all services are held and palavers; in short, it answers the purpose of church, club-house and City Hall. A temporary house first occupied by the missionaries does duty in sheltering carriers and workmen.

There is no question about the confidence which the Bule people already repose in their white men. Upon returning from Mission Meeting last January everything was found intact, just as left. Bule women have asked permission to go to the Coast and bring up Mrs. Good in their arms, and Bule men now gladly act as carriers for the station.

Mr. Kerr, after holding Efulen alone and

* The process of getting it out is seen in the cut on p. 149, although this is taken not from a Bule but an Ogowe photograph.

conducting Sunday service for six weeks, went to the Coast and, with a whetted appetite, thoroughly enjoyed the social life of Mission Meeting—"such a help for the year"—then marched back to the Interior and wrote: "I cannot tell you how glad I was to get back to Efulen and to see the faces of those I knew." He has—up to latest accounts—never had the slightest fever in Africa. Dr. Good continues to find the climate much kinder to himself than that of the Coast. Rev. R. H. Milligan has been less successful with fevers, but his success in the Bule language is beyond dispute. He began to preach last February. "When it is wet," he writes, "I expect to go to the towns mostly in bare feet. I am trying to get them hardened for use. I love this work and beginning direct Christian work now adds new delight."

THE EFULEN "RESIDENCE." BARK IS LEFT ON THE OUTSIDE WALLS. CHIMNEY IS ONLY "ON PAPER."

The Army at Home is called upon to have and to exercise the same consecration which it admires in its Pickets at the Front.

SOME GABOON WOMEN.

On Tuesday afternoons we meet in the church for an hour, devoting most of the time to Bible study with the women who cannot read. Sabbath mornings we meet in the school-room for prayer and singing, and this to me is the most enjoyable meeting we women have. It is thoroughly impromptu, no one is asked to speak or pray. The first Thursday, each month, our missionary meeting is held in Baraka parlor.

Three of our Christian women have died during the year. All had peace and assurance in death. One of them in her last hours, rejoiced much in her Saviour. Repeatedly she exclaimed, "I see myself sprinkled with blood—Jesus' blood—I am coming nearer and nearer to Him. I see Jesus."

There has been much sickness among the people, and it is hard to take care of them, they are so unwise. One woman for whom I cared had a third relapse. After much anxiety I said: "Ozoomie, you must take no nourishment or medicine except from the mission, until you are well." She could still walk. One afternoon about four o'clock, as I was leaving her room, I said: "Lie quietly in bed, do not even talk much until I come back." As soon as our evening meal was finished, I took a lantern and hastened down the hill to see her, but to my horror she was not in the room. I cried out, "Where is Ozoomie?" A faint voice answered, "Here I come, ma, I have been out to take a bath." She did not quite fall. I laid her down as carefully as I could and spoke to her the kindest words I knew. When I came home I remarked to Mr. Ford that I thought we would soon lay Ozoomie away—"If she does not die, it is because her work is not finished." True, she had more work to do. She is in her usual health, and going in and out amongst us living Christ. She cannot read but she can pray, and by her example will influence many.

Julia Green and Sarah Lewis are Bible-readers, paid by the mission. Julia is expected to spend her time as far as her strength allows, in this work. Sarah has a family that must be cared for first. Both these women are excellent. They lived in the mission school until they were married, hence they have had years of good Bible study. Julia is perhaps forty-five years old. She is a grandmother. Her only daughter is a Christian and is training her four little folks nicely. Sarah Lewis has five sons and a daughter. I wish you would pray for Sarah that she may have wisdom and grace, to keep her boys with her, and do pray that their hearts may be saved for Christ.

Ijuli is another Bible woman, works in her own town, labors much to instruct the

women and girls in the Scriptures. She receives no compensation from the mission; does not wish it. Her husband is a big heathen.

Oponda is a good little woman and a worker, but has a weak body. Aleli, our native minister's wife, cannot read, but she is a delightful Christian and knows much of the Bible. Mr. Ford's Christian Endeavor meetings have taught our Christians to work.

Phœbe C. Ogden.

IN THE GABOON DISTRICT.

Extracts from letters.

North of the mouth of the Ogowe live the Orungu people. When Mr. Good and I visited Corisco in February of last year (1893), a woman from this tribe who had married a Corisco man made an earnest appeal to have some one sent to preach the Word to her people. The following month, I sent Sonya, an elderly man who was baptized about a year before and had shown considerable zeal in holding meetings on the plantations near Gaboon.

One thing was quite gratifying about the way in which he begun. I offered him only very moderate wages and he refused at first to go; but two days after, he came and said that he could not sleep the night before, for thinking of Jonah and the fear that God would not bless him if he refused to go. He stayed four months and brought back a good report of the work he had done and the pleasure of the people to hear the Gospel. There were four who expressed their intention of living Christian lives. He has gone again and proposes to stay six months.

The making of *mbwiri*, which is a form of witchcraft much used as a cure for sickness, is practiced in Gaboon by—as far as I have learned — the Orungu only. The Mpongwe always send for a Cape Lopez man, i.e. an Orungu, when they wish *mbwiri* made.

M. Pressèt opened the Baraka school in September and has shown a devotion and diligence that are refreshing. There are sixteen boarding pupils and a daily attendance of forty boys.

[While at Kangwe, now a French mission station, in November, 1893:]

I have fixed up my traveling mosquito net over the table in order to write, and it is such a luxury to listen peacefully to the mosquitoes looking for the door. . . .

After Sunday-school, Monsieur and Madame Teisserès, M. Bonzon and myself —I must not forget, either, M. Teisserès' little Yvonne—went in a boat, accompanied by twenty-five or thirty of the schoolboys in a canoe, a short distance down the river (the Ogowe) to a Fañ village where lives Bia, the first convert from that tribe. He was quite ill and it was thought well to give him the benefit of such a visit. The boys sang two or three hymns in Fañ and M. Teisserès made remarks appropriate to their last hymn, "Come to Jesus," which were translated by one of the mission employes. Before leaving, I spoke with two men of the town in Mpongwe, one of them being the only man there who knows that language, the same translator turning it into Fañ for the elder of the two men. Their response to the Gospel invitation was: "We have business to attend to just now. By and by we will be Christians." But a Pangwe's business is never finished, being the accumulation of more goods with which to buy more wives, and these men were called the chief men because they had the most wives.

Close of Report of Baraka Station—

We ask for the following workers this year:

1. A woman physician. The Roman Catholic "sisters" are very active in this line and our Christian women have frequently gone to them for medicine.

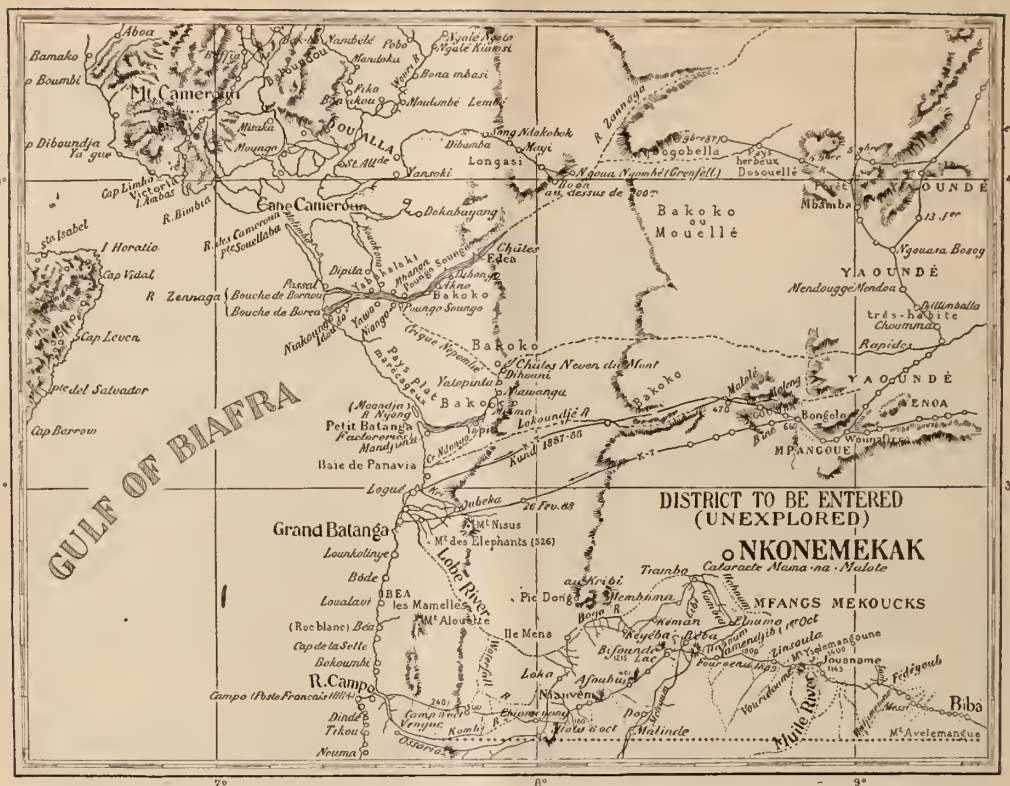
2. A married ordained missionary to share in evangelistic work and itinerating on the river and through the plantations and towns, as well as in training young men for Gospel work. The neglect of past years makes more imperative the need of well sustained effort now.

3. A layman, able to give the older boys instruction in simple iron and wood working. Teaching trades is one of the strongest attractions of the Roman Catholic schools.

[Omitting other needs.] We wish to erect the iron fence, so long talked of, about the graveyard, and which it is a disgrace longer to neglect.

More than all we want the power of the Holy Spirit, and we ask to this end the more earnest prayers of our brethren and sisters, both in the out-field and the in-field. Without His blessing the more we have, the greater will be our failure: with it, the least will be successful beyond our hopes.

Edward A. Ford.



THE GOSPEL OFFERED TO THE BULE PEOPLE.

MISSION meeting kept us all at Batanga until January 24, when we started for our new home in the interior, where we arrived January 27. The people welcomed us very warmly. Some had gotten an idea that as I had not returned the latter part of last year, as I had intended, I was not coming back to them at all.

The day after our return we had a large number at Sabbath service, although this is the busy season of the year for the Bule, and every Sabbath since we have had a fair turnout; what is more important, there seems to me a growing interest in the message we bring to them. I feared that after the first months, when their curiosity had been sated, they would cease to come to hear or would even become unwilling to listen to us as we go to the towns, but, instead of this, those to whom I have preached oftenest are my most attentive hearers. We have no converts yet, nor are there any to whom I can point and say that I have hope of their coming to Christ soon. But we have certainly exerted a very great influence, already. To-day, as two of us were walking through a town, we stopped where some people were talking a palaver. I asked in jest if the palavers were not all finished yet. "Can palavers ever finish?" one of them replied, but he added: "Were we ever before so long without killing people, as since you came?" And, thinking over the matter, it is true. In the towns about the mission there has been no attempt at bloodshed since I came to open this station. Again and again, women have eloped, or been carried off under circumstances that would have led to bloodshed in the old days, but, in every case so far, they have avoided bloodshed out of deference, so they said, to our teachings. Yesterday, a man from the Ntum tribe who live along the Campo River, three days south from here, told me that the "Word" we preach had gone all through the Ntum country, and people were settling their palavers. *Peace among men* seems to be about the only part of our message these people have grasped thus far, and they certainly need that truth; but while we may rejoice that this much has been accomplished, we must remember that while they are not born again they cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. There is

reason to hope that in a very few years violence and bloodshed will become comparatively rare over a wide area; but, as regards the great change that must be wrought in every heart before salvation is possible, the last state of these people may be worse than the first. Already many have said to me, "We are all right now, we have stopped killing people." Or a man, whose character has undergone no change, will say to me, "I am going to be a Christian; I believe all you have said," etc. I say to him, "Come and see me and I will instruct you more fully as to what it is to be a Christian." He promises but does not come, and when I see him again has forgotten all about the matter. I write all this that you may realize how blind these people are to spiritual truth, and may help us with your prayers that the Holy Spirit may work with us on this field, that our work be not in vain. What we have accomplished among this people already is a necessary step towards conversion but is not conversion, and might, by making them better satisfied with themselves, serve only to harden their hearts.

A week ago I returned from a preaching tour of twelve days up country, going as far as Zingi, the region in which we hope to locate our second station. The trip was uneventful. I turned off at only a few points from the roads I had traveled before, so I saw but little that was new, and you will readily understand that tramping and preaching in from five to eight towns each day, while it may be very useful, is not interesting to report. I was enthusiastically welcomed everywhere, but it was hard work preaching to them. Some of them, sometimes the whole company, would hear me through, apparently deeply impressed; but this was unusual. Frequently the chief, after I had spoken a few minutes, would break in with what purported to be an explanation of what I had said, but usually turned into an impassioned tirade against the sins of everybody in the town except himself. He would appeal to them to "hear what God's white man had come to tell them," and yet, if allowed, would take up all my time and make it impossible for me to finish what I wished to say. Of course, the object of all this was to impress the white man with somebody's importance. When I got the chief choked off, there were usually two or three young fellows who would keep up running comments on what I was saying, approving it all and not intending to be disrespectful, but frequently giving my remarks a ludicrous turn, or at least calling attention away from what I was saying to what I had said. Or, somebody would notice something about my clothing or person that struck him as odd, and would nudge his neighbor and in a low voice call

From negative plate by Mr. Jacot.

FELLING A FOREST GIANT.

his attention to it. Soon others would note the direction in which they were looking, till suddenly I would realize that my whole audience, who a moment before were listening intently, were gazing at my hair or shoes, utterly oblivious to my words.

I had the most trouble with the women. Two or three times during each meeting, usually, some woman would notice her baby toddling about and either call to, or go and bring it. The ostensible purpose was to fondle it, but the real object was to see whether it would be afraid of the white man. Of course it was and would scream, and then the whole audience would break out, some at the baby and some at its mother for disturbing the meeting. And they would laugh at everything. I never tried them with a joke, but it seemed to me that every really solemn truth I uttered was greeted

with a peal of laughter. Especially when the eternal punishment of the wicked was mentioned, no matter how carefully and seriously I led up to it, the result nearly always was a laugh, followed by a babel of voices, reminding each other that that was for *them*. Or, If I mentioned immorality or stealing, the side glances at each other and the ringing laugh that followed, not only played havoc with the thread of one's discourse, but indicated, all too clearly, how prevalent such sins are.

I usually found it impossible to hold their attention, even in the poor way indicated above, for more than ten minutes. Then I must stop and let them talk a while, when I could re-commence. But there were encouraging exceptions. In some towns I could talk without interruption for half an hour, and the attention never seem to flag. Why this difference?

Returning to Efulen after two weeks of such work, and preaching to our *comparatively* quiet and attentive audience here, I, for the first time, realized how much progress we have already made. Of course, there is in all this nothing to discourage us. We must sow before we can reap. This excessive curiosity must wear off before the people can listen; and such a people as the Bule cannot, at one hearing, grasp enough of the truth to be sobered by it. But, if I had time, I could easily bring evidence to show that the truth is working in many hearts. Do not forget to pray for us. All our efforts to redeem this moral wilderness for Christ depend on the presence and help of the Spirit.

A. C. Good.

Efulen, February 24, 1894.

[From a Letter kindly loaned by friends in Montclair, N. J.]

THE GABOON MISSION FLEET.

THE SURF-BOAT.
[From photograph of the old *Willie*.]

TWO of our Africa stations, Batanga and Benito, are on the very shore of the Atlantic, and, as they have no harbor and landing in that high surf is difficult and dangerous, surf-boats—something stronger than the native's little row-boat—are indispensable for communication with passing ocean steamers. Batanga has the *Chain*, built by the young people of Colorado, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Chain of Denver, whose loss in a typhoon off Japan is fresh to many hearts. Benito has the *Willie*, the gift of a gentleman (since gone to his rest) and of his wife, in Elizabeth, N. J. It is successor to the old *Willie* (in which Mr. De Heer used to itinerate,) and last summer brought the Benito ladies safely home from Bata. There are two other boats at Benito. The *Christine*, the gift of a friend in Rochester, N. Y., is a row-boat for the use of the ladies, and requires but five rowers. The *Evangeline*, in which Miss Nassau took so many trips on the Ogowe, she has placed at the service of the pastor.

The *Swan* and the *Nellie Howard* were turned over to the French Mission with Talaguga and Kangwe stations.

The surf-boat at Gaboon, the new *Willie* and the *Chain* are all built practically alike, and all of them like the old *Willie*, shown in the cut. The *Lafayette* is the gift of friends in St. Paul, Minnesota. It is a gig, suited to calm river trips, "sails splendidly" and plys among the villages on the Gaboon River and up as far as Angom. Mrs. Ogden writes:

"Thursday afternoons we have prayer-meeting, taking the villages in turn. This week we went to Nōmba, three miles away. Mr. Ford sent five of us in the new boat, *Lafayette*. We had a delightful meeting, as all were ready with voice and heart.

"The *Nassau* is a beautiful little sloop and my experience with her has been pleasant river trips. Our missionaries generally dread much traveling on her. A year ago the *Nassau* made a successful trip to Cape Lopez and back to Baraka with a load of precious freight—the Jacots and Bannermans, who had no other way to come to

Mission Meeting. She has lately taken two loads of building material to Batanga."

Miss Babe says: "Our memorial boat the *Chain* is very useful. It goes off to steamers with and for passengers and fetches the cargo, which consists largely of the mail and our provisions. It also takes Mr. Godduhn or Mr. Gault up and down the coast on their visits to the churches in the out-stations. It has made several trips to Campo to get material for our roofs. To-morrow morning I think the boat will be sent to Kribi to get two Basel missionaries, who are ill and require a change and will visit us a short time. It is a very good boat; last Friday I was in it for the first time. It carried Mr. Gault's little Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Bannerman and little Harold, Mrs. Godduhn and baby Frances and me, over the blue water to the Lobe River, where we enjoyed seeing the waterfalls, about twenty-five feet high. This is a rare occurrence and only the second time I have seen the falls, the prettiest sight in our part of the country; there is little else here that is really pretty.

"When Mr. Godduhn has time, he will paint the name, 'J. A. and Helen Chain,' on the boat. We could in no wise do without it. When we keep it up on the beach under shelter, but wish to launch it on the ocean for use, our school-boys must help push it in.

"The *Nassau* is not a steamer but a sailing ship. It is about fifty-two feet long and thirteen wide. All the steam there is on it is when Mr. Menkel's tea-kettle boils.

"The *Nassau* looks very pretty when all her sails are spread, but most of those who have once made a journey on her do not care to go again, because she rocks so that one gets sea-sick as soon as on board, and continues so for a while after the journey's end. I have not yet had occasion to try it, but they tell me that my missionary career is not complete without a trip on the *Nassau*. I think it would be well to have a small coast steamer with an engine.

"A steamer coming this way, lately became a total wreck on the Kroo coast and only a part of the mail was forwarded, and all the cargo is lost. Some of the cargo was for our mission and we do not know whether it was insured or not."

WHAT ALL THE BOYS WANT TO HEAR FROM AFRICA.

ANSWER TO A LETTER FROM A FEW BOYS, WRITTEN TO THE CAPTAIN OF THE *NASSAU*.

YOUR letter reminds me very much of a pump handle, and as you have done some pumping by the long line of questions, I suppose all I can do is to let the water flow. Never be ashamed to ask questions nor be backward, as long as you are orderly and respectful in asking them. I will take your questions in order.

1st. "The *Nassau*, what is it, schooner, steamer, or what?" It is a sailing vessel. In America she would be classed as a sloop; her rig is such except for a short mast and a small sail aft of the mainsail and steering gear. We do not have any such in the United States. She is an English-built craft and peculiar to that country, where it is known as a "dandy rig." Many of the fishermen and I believe some pilots have such rigged crafts. The small stern sail enables the vessel to lie close to the wind. Sailing the *Nassau* is a pleasure. To use the words of Capt. Robertson, who sailed her out from England, "She is like a duck on the water." Like that fowl she puts her nose under sometimes and takes a sea over her stern, but like the duck she is soon free from the surplus watery bath.

2d. "Do they have a hospital at Benito?" Well, no; but next door to it. Nearly every morning I have seen one of the ladies there dressing wounds and sores or administering remedies.

3d. "Do you not get scared of the African fever, is it contagious, and do they have it all the time?" Do you get scared about taking cold? The fever scares us in the same sense, at least me. It is not contagious. The ordinary fever all alike have, some more and some less. I think there is more fever in New Jersey, at least I heard more about it when there last, than I do about fever here.

4th. About my "family." With some of them it is indeed well, for they are in the Home of homes, where care and sickness trouble not. With the rest of us I think we are as well off as the average of mankind; thank you, and especially for your intercession at the Throne of Grace.

5th. About having "trouble in learning

the language." It is hard to speak. It is easier for some than for others. Some set to work at the language as the first work, and rightly so. But I took it in gradually and am still learning. My forte is mechanics on land or sea, and I use the native tongue with the crew. You need not let the language stagger you out of the idea of some future day working in a similar field. Perseverance day by day, little by little, has got over the highest mountains figuratively and literally. "One chip at a time."

6th. "Is my home at one special town or on the river banks?" Both. The home of the *Nassau* is at Benito River close enough to hear the crashing of the waves in the crevices of the bluff, or hill, on which my house is built. My home is not the only one. The three ladies have theirs near, also the native pastor and teachers and employes.

7th. "Bamboo, does it requre polishing for exportation?" I think not. We have two kinds here; the one called India bamboo is pointed, like sugar-cane of which fishing rods are made at home. In its green state it has a fine gloss on it. With the other kind we build our roofs out here.

The *Nassau* has had a new mast put in lately and a new bowsprit. The tree trunk for the mast came from Hamburg, Germany, and for the other from England. When all had been prepared by the carpenters and the irons fitted, the mast hoops in place, the *Nassau* was taken alongside a much larger vessel which raised the new mast into an upright position and then lowered in its place, and secured it by its standing rigging. Now, she can again hoist weights about equal to the mast itself, as we do our cargoes. When I left Benito this last time I had 110 green bamboo rafters on deck about forty feet long; over 2,100 thatch, each of which is about 4 feet 6 inches long and about 2 feet wide, below deck; also a lot of lumber besides my own traps, as I am good here for a three months job, building a new dwelling-house. Have now four carpenters at work; they simply execute my directions so we may get through sooner. One of these is from the English colony, another from the French at Gaboon, the other two from this place, all natives. Among us here are some four or five languages spoken; whispering is not needed to prevent others from knowing what is said.

The ivory mart at this place is, like New York, Liverpool or other ports, of commercial interest. Ivory is brought from a long way back in the interior. The foreign buyers are of diverse nationality, and much more so the sellers who are in eager expectation of the white man's goods for their tusks of ivory. Yours sincerely,

P. Menkel.

Batanga, Africa, Oct., 1893.

AFRICA.

THE WILD LOVE-LIES-BLEEDING.

Where'er I look, beside the path or kraal,
I see thee lift thy head with crimson dyes,
And in my heart the fancy doth arise
That in thee from the ground to us doth call
Some fellow-creature's lifeblood that did fall
Unheeded in that spot. His helpless cries
In this thy blood-red flower still testifies.
Yet well I know, poor Africa! if all
The crimes thy continent doth daily see
Should rise in blood-red flowers that there would be
Naught else but red, from Capetown to the Nile;
One murderous tell-tale red, from shore to shore.
Say, Christian hearts, can you look on and smile?
Stretch out your hands, and heal her open sore.

—*Mrs. Goodenough*, of the Zulu Mission, in the *Independent.*

LONGWE, AN OGOWE TOWN.

GLIMPSES OF THE WEST COAST.

ONE is often surprised to find how vague many people's notions are about Equatorial Africa; and perhaps the reason lies in the fact that the great continent varies so much according to locality in its physical features and the character of its inhabitants.

Roughly speaking, the whole west coast for a considerable distance inland is one vast forest. In places this forest reaches down to the very shore of the ocean, and the roots of the trees appear intermingled with the wave-beaten rocks. This is the case at Batanga and Benito. Elsewhere, as at Angom and in the Ogowe, these forests overhang the shores of rivers and border the edges of vast papyrus swamps. Everywhere it is dense with underbrush and interwoven with vines and creeping plants, until it becomes almost impenetrable save where the native paths afford passage. Our picture (p. 149) shows the trunk of a giant cottonwood tree which is being felled. Two natives are at work upon it, one of them almost concealed in the hollows of the roots which act as buttresses in supporting the lofty column.

The inhabitants of these wilds prepare the site for their villages, as also their plantations, by clearing a large space in the forest. The underbrush is first cut, then the trees are felled, and when the whole has dried, the torch is applied. Many of the trunks and larger branches of course do not burn, and if for a plantation they will be merely left, and the plantains, corn, etc., planted among the *débris;* if for a town, however, these have to be cleared away before the street can be laid out. All the Fañ villages and most of the villages of the other tribes consist of one long street flanked on either side by rows of bamboo or bark huts. These structures among the coast tribes are more or less elaborate according to the degree of civilization which the individuals affect, and some do real credit to the skill and ingenuity of the owners.

Our cut shows a bit of a Galwa village on the shores of the Ogowe. The houses are much the same as those of the Fañ described above. All around are to be seen the tall stalks of plantains and bananas, which with the cassava root form the

staple food of the natives. Drawn up against the bank are a number of native canoes. They are each hollowed out of a single trunk, are graceful in shape, and under the vigorous stroke of the paddle glide over the stream like an arrow. The mission canoe, ready manned and loaded, stands close to the shore. Besides personal luggage, bedding and provisions, it contains the invaluable little portable harmonium, so useful to us in our preaching tours. The natives are exceedingly fond of music, and no small part of Gospel preaching is carried on in our absence by means of hymns written in the native language. The tunes used are our English melodies, for a glance at the next illustration will show that native music is hardly sufficiently developed to furnish materials for hymnology. The two instruments on the right are drums. The smaller one, composed entirely of wood, is beaten with sticks; the larger one, consisting of a hollowed tree trunk with a monkey-skin stretched tightly over one end, is beaten with the hands. The two other instruments are harps, the more curious one being provided with a half-gourd as sounding-board, and the bridge placed in the middle of the instrument immediately above it. Ingenious as are these instruments, the quality of sound they give forth is rather monotonous, that of the strings being a sort of low thrumming.

A FAÑ BAND.
The second on the left is Bia.

These musicians are Fañ, and three of them were received some time ago as inquirers, the first-fruits of the nation on the Ogowe. At Angom, however, on the Gaboon estuary, a small church has already been organized with Fañ membership and elders. They are a strong, vigorous race, numbering according to De Brazza, the great French explorer, upward of four millions.

The new station of the Board further north, some seventy-five miles in the interior back of Batanga, is established among the Bule belonging to this same people, and it is desired to push the work into the very heart of the tribe. Who will go up to the help of the Lord against the mighty?

H. Jacot.

CONVERSION OF THE FIRST FAÑ.

SOME time ago, a middle-aged man who had four wives and nothing in the world to make but a great deal to lose by becoming a Christian, announced that he wanted to be saved, no matter if he lost all he had in the world. He gave up three of his wives. That was like giving up half of his fortune. Not only that, but he did something else which took my breath away. Every Fañ keeps the skull of his father in a bark bucket and from time to time makes offerings, sometimes of blood and at others of the meat of

a goat or fowl, to this skull. This is supposed to secure for him the favor of the ancestral spirit. If he goes to trade, or to marry another wife, or to war, he always cooks a feast for his father's spirit and sprinkles the skull with redwood powder. This is, in short, the great fetish of the Fañ. All I expected was that converts would cease to make offerings to the skulls; one could hardly expect them to throw them away. Imagine my surprise when one day Bia gave me the neat basket or bucket in which was this precious fetish. All this was something so unheard of among the Fañ that it brought on Bia's head a storm of petty persecution. There is no danger of violence being done him, but the Fañ vocabulary of abusive epithets has been exhausted by his neighbors in expressing their opinion of the man who will give up three women and his piety, his great fetish, and for what? But his stand has had an effect and quite a number, some of them old men, are seriously balancing the claims of this world and the next; three young men are also inquirers and promise well. But it takes some such sacrifice as Bia made to give me confidence in a Fañ.—Letter from Dr. Good, in *The Church at Home and Abroad*, April, 1892.

SCRAPS WHICH SHOW THE TREND.

Batanga.—After Rev. G. A. Godduhn had preached to the Mabea, last August, at Mbadè, the people said: "What have we done that you pass us and go to the Bule? We have not stolen from you and never killed any of you and you leave us and go to the Bule. Why do you hate us? Send us a man to tell us about God and we will build him a house."

Mr. Godduhn recalls the schools for training a native ministry "in every part of the globe, except Africa," and begs that a man be sent out to this work, "with the most of his life before him and consecrated to his Master; it could not be spent in a better way." Then when he considers the schoolboys he feels "like dropping everything else to devote himself to *them*," and that he cannot for the "much people" to whom he gives the Word of Life in his itinerations.

Several boys' day-schools are taught by natives. Miss Nassau has the only girls' school in Batanga; a day school, about fifty girls and two young native assistants. "The girls are doing splendidly in Benga."

Two hundred and twenty-eight adults were received to the Churches of the Gaboon and Corisco Mission, on confession of faith last year; ninety-seven of them were at Batanga and in December a hundred and fifty were in Inquiry Class there. Mr. Gault organized a Church at Myuma, with twenty-seven members.

Angom.—Rev. A. W. Marling has been in England directing the printing of the Gospel of Matthew in Fañ, and other books.

Rev. W. S. Bannerman and family, leaving Kangwe, went to the rescue of Angom last September. Of the fourteen original members of the Church which was organized in 1891, "not one has wholly gone back to heathenism and the coal has been kept alive on the altar." Mr. Bannerman finds evidence of "much religious enlightenment" and the prayer-room is the center of influence. "The light grows dim," he writes, "in geometrical ratio of the distance from the prayer-room, so that 800 yards distant heathenish rites are performed with little shame. Forty minutes distant the missionary is still the 'white spirit' who kills by his look, from whom the women and children and, at times, even men flee and conceal themselves behind barricaded doors. There is an immense population within easy reach: 43 villages within four hours' comfortable boating; 12 villages can easily be reached by land within a few hours."

Angom requires two male missionaries, a teacher and a school, and "if the Board does not push this work it may as well withdraw."

Benito.—The station demands an ordained man. The new prayer-room was opened for worship and sixty persons flocked in. The new school-house was occupied in January. Two children are the first from the Balingi tribe, and a little Boheba mastered her letters in a few days.

Baraka.—An elder was suspended from the Church for immorality.

The old kingship, now merely a nominal dignity, became vacant and for the first time "King Glass" is a Christian. Visitors report more religious life than for many years.

Efulen.—The Bule want tables and stools "like the white man." By January Mr. Kerr had helped them to own thirty or more. While he can make a stool in a few minutes it takes a Bule half a day. "They are learning that if they want anything they must work for it."

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT.

INDIA.

MISS DONALDSON wrote from DEHRA, March 28:

Only one hour till letters for America must go. . . I am trying this year to get on in school with no American teacher, so that Miss Savage may have time to work among the people in the surrounding villages. It is only by depending upon teachers from this country for the class-work, that one missionary can carry on a school. Two weeks before the time for opening, three teachers were still lacking to make up our usual number, but just when probabilities began to assume doubtful colors they were all supplied.

We have more pupils this year than we have had since fees have been required. They are such bright good girls. When I am discouraged in every other direction it rests me to go to the girls. A little Hindu widow who was brought to us last year, is still in the school and is a favorite with every one. She has such a merry laugh that she is welcome among whatever group of girls she comes. It is wonderful that a child exposed as she was could have been kept so pure. The change in her seems to have been as complete as that of the chrysalis to the butterfly and her old life is a thing of the past. Her sister came to see her and now brings her own little boy to our veranda school. Our Munshi and his wife who were baptized last Christmas are growing in grace and knowledge. They have been made very happy this week by a visit from her mother and other friends, who to-day are returning sadly to their village because they know their neighbors will taunt them with having visited the outcast daughter. They cooked their own food outside the house, as they could not eat the Christian's food without breaking their caste.

I have just been thinking that our work is much easier than yours. You must have many difficulties to contend with during these financial troubles, yet you provide us with everything we need. They talk about the "privations" of missionaries. We haven't any—and we are just as happy as any one can be in such a world.

MISS EMMA MORRIS wrote from LODIANA, Feb. 20:

The end of my first year finds me with first impressions undergoing decided modifications and in many cases entirely reversed. I thought I had never imagined such filth and unloveliness. You know, of course, that a dirty *chaddar* is a sign of respectability, while a woman who goes on the street habitually in spick and span clean clothes would be looked upon as a suspicious character. So the women all seem rather shabbily dressed and not over-clean, but I have begun to realize they are cleaner than they seem and perhaps they bathe more frequently than our own favored fellow-citizens.

SHY ZENANA GIRLS.

I have been teaching in some of the wealthier houses where a bride would have thirty or forty changes of raiment and almost her weight in ear-rings, nose-rings, bangles and so on, and where the houses are really clean, though their standard is different from ours. As to their personal characteristics, I have found my class of Hindu girls as loving and as lovable, as bright and as troublesome, as any class I ever had at home. The school in which I am teaching was a new one last fall and the girls were very wild and exceedingly suspicious, and they are shy still. I invited them to come to see me, and one afternoon I beheld a flock of girls in red and yellow clothes flying past our house like so many frightened geese. I had told my man to watch for them and call them in, and, hearing his voice, they fled like wild animals. I brought them back but they looked suspiciously at everything, especially when I called them into the parlor and closed the door. What they feared I cannot tell, but they were soon flying home again.

THE MISSIONARY'S BURDEN.

The bright side has been their affection, their willingness to learn to read, and the pleasure of studying new people and of working for them. The dark side (and sometimes it is overpoweringly dark) is that there seems so little result from all one's labor. They listen sometimes respectfully, often gladly and with interest; more often listlessly (as if they knew they must take the Bible lesson if they would get the other) and sometimes very unwillingly to the Bible story; and when they have heard it over and over, when they will admit its beauty, its truth, its claim and its reward, still they will not accept it, but go on in their own way. I feel very sad that I cannot tell

you of a single soul won during the past year by means of God's working in me. I long to have a part in the reaping and feel so hampered by a body which will get tired, a throat that will get sung out, and a spirit that gets thoroughly discouraged.

I do not know where to begin when you ask what my impressions are. The street life here is just as interesting to me to-day as it was when I landed more than a year ago. The novelty has worn off, but a certain fascination remains which is more intense than the charm of novelty.

We are so sad at the thought of Dr. Templin's loss of health and disappointment. She has endeared herself to all. I have enjoyed splendid health and long to become an efficient helper.

CHINA.

Miss Annie Morton, of Ningpo, wrote from Shanghai, Feb. 27 :

You will wonder why I am writing from Shanghai; a dear friend has been obliged to return to the U. S. A. and I accompanied her this far. The doctor had been urging me for some time to take a little trip. I came last Friday and hope to be back in my school by Friday of this week, for Miss Cunningham wishes to itinerate, and the station must not be left entirely alone.

PATHETIC ENOUGH.

How we are longing for re-inforcements ! We sometimes get restive here, at this end, at the thought of the golden opportunities slipping by and the hosts of Christian workers at home. Is not our case pathetic enough to touch some heart ? Almost our oldest work in China, left with only two young ladies !

My school has re-opened and appears very flourishing, with thirty-eight old pupils and nine new ones, and a new teacher. We had quite a bit of serious illness just before the New Year. The matron had pneumonia and eight girls had measles, but the Lord was gracious to us, and all have been restored. Miss Cunningham is well, but working very hard.

Dr. Effie W. Bailie wrote from Suchow :

It is a long time since I have written. The greater part of the time I have had no one to help take care of the babies, and there has been a great deal of sickness about us, both among Chinese and foreigners. Last summer was exceptionally damp and the malarial fevers were intense. One day all the Hayes family were down except one boy.

The other day I visited two large homes, the first time I have been into rich people's homes here. They sent for me and, of course, were burdensomely polite. Their houses are immense places, with large rooms like dungeons—I can compare them to nothing else. They are dark, damp, with whitewashed walls and cement floors,—not pretty white cement but dirty gray tiles the color of cobble-stones. There are long narrow passages and a labyrinth of rooms opening out of one another. I could not find my way out after once getting into the innermost bedroom. The ladies are powdered and painted with no attempt at deception. They all, master, mistress and grown-up sons and daughters, generally seem to have nothing to do—in one place the daughter studies and has a sewing-machine. Since my visit they have been to see me twice, and seem to think that I can spare as much time for visiting as they can.

PERSIA.

Miss Bartlett wrote from Teheran, Feb. 3 : One night, a large piece of the school-room ceiling fell, breaking the teacher's desk. On examination the whole was pronounced unsafe, and there was nothing to do but clear the room and have it ceiled with wood and iron instead of plaster. I will spare you a description of the next few weeks of school. Our patience was taxed to the utmost, for we have no other room where the desk could be used and so the children were scattered through the house, sitting on the floor in different rooms. It is still unfinished and no amount of entreaty will hurry the workmen. The weather has been cold and the paint refuses to dry.

Just before Christmas vacation, a thief came over the wall and helped himself to our clothes left out over night. He took about all the sheets in the wash, nine dresses and underclothes.

We have to clothe most of the children and I fear always will. The village people are so wretchedly poor and have no idea of having more than one garment of a kind, so for them we must provide ; and the dress of Jewesses and Moslems is so immodest that we must change their clothing.

BLACK IGNORANCE LIGHTING UP.

We have four new children from some far-away mountain villages which Miss Schenck visited last summer, and their black ignorance would be very comical if not so sad. They had never seen an orange till this Christmas time, and one thought hers was made of eggs and her surprise was unbounded when she opened it. With deep interest we watch for the opening of their minds (I trust they have this priceless possession) and hearts. In a little meeting the other Sabbath I tried to talk especially for these children. Their language is such a mixture and so corrupted that it is not very easy to make them understand. After I had finished, I said if any one wanted this new heart that I would like to have her ask just then. After a little waiting Ta-ous began : "Oh, Lord help me (I can't pray, I don't know how)" and then continued her little prayer.

What the Persia missionaries want above all things —and will you ask for it ?—we want to be filled with the Spirit so that we may win souls. We want the people with whom we talk and the children in our schools CONVERTED, and *we* are powerless to persuade them.

HOME DEPARTMENT

PROGRAMME FOR JULY MEETING—THE CHINESE IN AMERICA.

Scripture Text. "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd."

Suggestions.—The Spirit of Christ—a theme for Scripture texts in answer to Roll Call. "Give until you feel it, and then give until you don't feel it"—a motto for regular monthly offerings.

Study and Pray.

"Know and you will feel, know and you will pray, know and you will help."—*Dean of Llandaff.*

This intermingling of nations, "this going to and fro of earth's multitudes means the breaking down of isolation, superstition, prejudice, and the spread of civilization and Christianity over the darkest portions of the earth." Remembering that "Opportunities to the Christian mean solemn responsibilities"—let us study and pray, and first of all pray for the membership, that each one may be made meet for the Master's use.

Thanksgiving for the completion of the new Headquarters of Occidental Board and the Mission Home. "Bless the Lord, O my soul" should be on the lips of every worker, for this means so much with regard to the topic of this month.

ASSIGN to some member: the roll call of pioneers in work among the Chinese, and give briefly items with regard to their work; to another, the roll call of present workers.

STUDY AND PRAY FOR THE RESCUE WORK. Send to Occidental Board for the leaflet "A'Tsun." [A'Tsun sold by father to pay gambling debt of fifteen dollars; rescued from slavery; an inmate of the Home; assisted in laying the corner stone.]

Another leaflet—"How do Chinese Girls come to the Mission Home?" Read Miss Culbertson's "City of Refuge" in *Occidental Leaves.*

STUDY THE SCHOOL WORK AND HOUSE TO HOUSE VISITATION. See last Report of Occidental Board. Report of Assembly's Board of Foreign Missions, 1892, '93. Study, then pray, for work and workers.

STUDY THE DIFFICULTIES to be overcome. Chinese brought into contact with anti and non-Christian elements in our civilization; legislation which has aroused bad feeling and kept away needed helpers.

ENCOURAGEMENTS. Influence, when Christian Chinese return to China. See interesting items in *Annual Reports* of Assembly's Board, *Woman's Work*, July, 1890. Chinese Converts proving their religion by their liberality. This subject is beautifully treated in the leaflet "Old and New China."

ITEMS, in conversational form, may be assigned to the whole membership: and "Chinese in America" of Question Book Series, will furnish them. It has been recently revised and every statement is authentic.

This subject, so full, belongs to July. May earnest prayers be offered each day in this month for every department of work and the faithful workers. Eternity alone will reveal their work. "They shall be Mine, saith the Lord of Hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels."

Study and Pray!

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA. *Mrs. H. A. Ketchum.*

WOMAN'S BOARDS IN ANNUAL MEETING.

"We are seven."

At Binghamton, New York, April 11, 12.

A wintry cold and fast-falling snow outside made more forcible the contrast with a bright, cheerful interior and the warmest of welcomes given by the ladies of Binghamton to delegates to the twenty-fourth Annual Meeting of the New York Board. The pulpit of the First Church, in which the meetings were held, was decorated with palms and flowering plants and by the side was hung a Roll of Honor—the names of those who had gone to mission fields from Binghamton Presbytery—a list of which any Church might well be proud.

"Whole-heartedness," and "Deepening of the motive in service for foreign missions" were the key-notes of the devotional meetings which preceded each day's sessions—that of Wednesday being led by Mrs. Howard Elmer, of Waverly, and that of Thursday by Mrs. James S. Dennis, so long of the Syria mission. These keynotes touched chords which vibrated through the sessions of each day, and both themes were illustrated by the words of our missionaries.

The business session was called to order by the President, Mrs. Henry N. Beers, at 10 : 30. After the opening prayer and

hymn, 116 delegates, out of a possible 289, responded to the roll call. The report of Home and Foreign Secretaries was presented by Miss Mary Parsons, Secretary of Publication Committee from New York, giving in a few words some idea of the good accomplished during the year, and work still to be done. In the absence of Mrs. Hartt, the Treasurer's report was read by Miss Janeway, of New York. An increase over the contributions of last year was announced, the result of legacies, the Auxiliaries being somewhat behind.

The business of the morning being over, addresses were listened to from Miss Babbitt, who was for a short time in Allahabad, and Miss Bigelow, of Japan. Miss Babbitt spoke especially of the condition of women in India and what the Gospel is doing for them. From Miss Bigelow came the good news that there are now 40,000 Christians in Japan. The Japanese are destined to become a power in the East. In thirty-six years they have mastered what the Christian portion of the globe took two centuries to learn. Miss Bigelow especially urged the need of another Bible training-school.

After the session of each morning an invitation to luncheon was extended by ladies of Binghamton, not only to delegates but all visitors at a distance from their homes.

The more informal meetings of the afternoon were opened on Wednesday by Mrs. McEwen, of New York, who led an open conference on "Young People in World-Wide Endeavor." After an account of the starting of the Christian Endeavor movement, several societies from Binghamton and New York reported. Mrs. Wellington White, formerly of Canton, told us of the Chinese Endeavorers, who, to stimulate American Societies, are to send a large umbrella, to be given to that Society in America which shall have contributed the largest proportionate amount to foreign missions, during the past year.

A Model Band Meeting, which had been arranged by Miss A. B. Stephens, of New York, was then conducted by Miss A. J. Stone, of Binghamton. Ten boys took part in this exercise, which showed so plainly what a missionary Band might become under good leadership. The main point brought out was that each member should have his share and responsibility in the meeting. Those who took part were from the Boys' Brigade, Binghamton, to which we owe thanks for their kindness and courtesy. A number of them were on duty at the station to escort the delegates, on arriving, to their places of entertainment, and they were most helpful in various ways at the church. We shall be interested to see if, some day, we do not hear of some members of this Brigade giving themselves to the cause in which they take such an interest.

At the general meeting of Wednesday evening, Rev. George A. Ford, of Syria, emphasized the connection between Home and Foreign Missions, deprecating separation between them. The right title is "World-Wide Missions." Mr. Ford spoke of the dangers which threaten Missions; nothing external can really affect them in the least—the only real dangers are inward. The Church is too much inclined to look upon foreign mission work as a spiritual luxury, and to feel that there is option in undertaking it. It must be regarded as indispensable; not an *occasional*, but *constant* claim.

Mr. Robert Speer, Secretary, spoke of the duties common to every generation of the Christian Church, and that one of the chief of these is to give the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every creature, or, to put it in one phrase, to evangelize the world. The doors are open as never before, and the needs of the world more fully understood. How can that be impossible which God has told us to do?

The Question Box exercise conducted by Mrs. H. M. Humphrey, of New York, at the Thursday morning session, brought out interesting expressions of opinion on subjects dear to the heart of every missionary enthusiast. The question of the desirability of a prayer-meeting to precede the monthly missionary meeting called forth some discussion, and also that of increasing interest by the spread of missionary literature.

The Committee on place of the next Annual Meeting reported acceptance of the invitation of New York Presbytery.

Mrs. Ira Harris, of Syria, told us of Medical Work in Tripoli. Mrs. White emphasized the undenominational character of work in China, and spoke of the (almost) impossibility of making Chinese women believe that God loves them. "How can He love a woman?" She left with us four watchwords—Go, Send, Give, Pray.

The rising of the delegates greeted seven missionaries at the afternoon session, as they came to the platform for "two minute talks," in which so much of interest was condensed.

Mrs. Doolittle expressed her joy in going

back to China, after an absence of twenty years. Miss C. O. Van Duzee, of Persia, gave her testimony to the importance of medical missions—a few more words from Mrs. White and Miss Bigelow, then we heard from Dr. Harris of the Nusairiyeh, the heathen of Syria, and their secret religion. Lastly came Mrs. Hepburn, of Japan, who, though no longer on the field, said she is proud to be counted among the missionaries, and whose presence was felt by all to be an inspiration and benediction.

But the hour for closing had come, and the last address, by Mrs. L. D. Wishard, was one of "retrospection" and "anticipation." The facts which had been brought out by different speakers, were recapitulated and emphasized by what Mrs. Wishard had herself seen as a traveler on mission fields, and her closing words will not soon be forgotten, that "We stand to-day on the Mount of Privilege, watching the dawning of Christ's light over the world and looking in glad anticipation for the time when the day shall dawn and the shadows flee away."

Alice M. Davison.

At Glens Falls, New York, April 18, 19.

It was with delightful anticipations, remembering the warm welcome and unbounded hospitality of the Glens Falls Auxiliary, when Annual Meeting was held in their church seven years ago, that delegates of the Society of Northern New York found themselves once more on their way to this charming village. Nor were we disappointed. The warm greeting of the reception committee, at the depot, made us indeed welcome and we did not need, later, the cordial words of the pastor of the church to make us feel at home.

The body of the church, which was beautifully decorated with plants, was soon well filled for the first session: a prayer-meeting led by Mrs. Joseph Potter, of Whitehall. Here God's precious promises were read and pleaded, for the strengthening of our faith and renewing of our courage, both so greatly needed if we are not to falter, or stagger, at the vastness of the work yet remaining to be done, ere the multitudes who sit in darkness shall see light.

In the evening, the large auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity, chairs having to be placed in the aisles to accommodate all those who were eager to hear the speaker of the evening, Mr. Robert E. Speer. No brief report could do justice to the helpful, inspiring words which Mr. Speer gave us. Guided of the Spirit, his address fitted into the thought of the preceding devotional service. Mr. Speer pointed out that there are two ways in which we can view our work: one, of contentment with what, under God, has been accomplished; but while showing that much has been done for which we should be profoundly grateful, he urged us to take Paul's view, not resting satisfied with our past attainments but, reaching forth unto those things which are before, seek to do a larger and better work in the building up of His Kingdom, who has said "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

On Thursday morning the number of delegates was augmented, as early trains brought many from surrounding towns, so that at the hour for the devotional service the church was well filled. The meeting was led by Mrs. W. H. Hollister, Jr., of Troy. As each day brought its own peculiar anxiety and trials, so, said the leader, does each Society year have its burdens and anxieties. This one just closed had been particularly trying, a time of depression which had affected nearly all the Auxiliaries; how helpful at such a time to turn to God's word, and see how in the days of old He comforted His people. We came up to this feast burdened with the thought that we had fallen behind our gifts of last year; if only we use this disappointment aright, God could make it a stepping-stone to better things.

As the President, Mrs. Yeisley, was detained at home by recent bereavement, Mrs. Archd. McClure, of Albany, presided at all business sessions. Miss Anna Anderson, of Albany, gave a most admirable address which stirred all hearts, and made us realize the blessedness of the work in which we are engaged.

The Corresponding Secretary reported that in all the years in which she had been identified with the work, reports from the field had never been more full of encouragement; this year all laid emphasis on the harvest being reaped, not on the seed sowing. The Treasurer reported a loss as compared with last year; due in part to financial depression, and in part to transfer of the Nez Perce work to the Board of Home Missions.

The same Board of Officers was re-elected, with the exception of Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. B. Nason. Her resignation

was reluctantly accepted, and resolutions expressing regret at her retirement, after these many years of devoted service, were adopted. Miss Mary I. Platt, of Troy, was elected to the position.

After lunch, served in the beautiful Sabbath-school room, the session re-convened, with a large audience. After an admirable report from the Secretary of the Young People's Societies, we listened to one of Mrs. Wellington White's thrilling addresses. No words can convey the impression made as she told of what she had seen in China, and pleaded for larger views of our responsibility for the coming of the Master's Kingdom. The innovation of having Young People's Hour in the evening, instead of afternoon, proved a great success. A large number of young men availed themselves of this opportunity to hear Mr. Pitkin's earnest plea, that they, as well as the young ladies present, should consider the claims and needs of the multitude without the knowledge of a Saviour, in making their choice of a life work.

Mrs. White by special request said a few words in regard to medical missions and with the benediction by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Crosser, this meeting, in some respects the most delightful of them all, closed.

The hospitality of the ladies of the church was greatly appreciated ; best of all we did not feel that in thus providing for our comfort we were depriving them of the blessings and privileges of the meetings, for they enjoyed them all with us.

It was essentially a young people's meeting. Never before had so many bright, fresh young faces been seen in our gatherings. The addresses were by those, the better part of whose life still lay before them, a feature of the meeting in itself matter for thanksgiving, and as we turned our faces homewards we "thanked God and took courage."

Emily A. Darling.

At Scranton, Pennsylvania, April 25, 26.

Those were hill-top days in more senses than one. Never did woman's gifts of forethought, tact, taste and sympathy do more for the success of a series of meetings and the comfort and delight of an audience. The very first greetings, the first glimpse of the audience-room brought a restful sense of readiness.

And what of the meetings for which all this preparation was made? "In His Strength" was the full, rich keynote given in the quiet of the Tuesday evening hour of prayer, and to the words of benediction at the close of Thursday afternoon's "review thoughts" we heard the undertone—*His Strength.*

How shall I give to the stay-at-homes an idea of all that the full days brought to us? One word of thankfulness, in passing, that nearly all our leaders were at their posts, strong and helpful—women to thank God for.

You want to know about the missionaries in particular? Mrs. Wellington White made our hearts burn within us as she told of the midnight prayer-meeting of three hours' duration. One after another those Chinese Christians took up the pleading for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit until the voice failed in tears and sobs. Yamaguchi, the children's corner of Japan, could not have had a brighter spokeswoman than Miss Bigelow. She had a wonderful gift of letting us into the every day of her work and life in Japan. Out of a full experience Mrs. John Newton told us of "Homes and Home-making" in India. Mrs. Dodd joyfully held up before us the completed Gospel of Matthew in the Lao tongue, and we realized how much it meant to missionaries and Christians that the "Ministry of Print" has really begun in that land that has waited so long for the Gospel in its own language. Mrs. McCandliss, introduced as "a missionary in China for a quarter of a century," told of beginnings and encouragements in Hainan. Had we needed rest toward the end of Thursday's session, we should have found it in Miss Brown's beautiful little talk about vacation days in Syria—busy working days they seemed to us.

Besides the missionaries already mentioned, Miss Ballagh, of Japan; Mrs. J. B. Howell, formerly of Brazil; Dr. Jessica Carleton, just returned from India; and Miss Beman and Dr. Bertha Caldwell, under appointment, were introduced and received Mrs. Cunningham's words of benediction.

The conferences and papers upon the home side of the work were a feast in themselves and the only way to bring you, even a basketful of fragments, is to give, in conclusion, with no words of my own,

SOME LEAVES FROM A NOTE BOOK.

"There is more money spent in Canton *in one year* for idol worship than is given for missions in that period in the whole United States."

"The lips of the children of China are being filled with the Gospel. Is it true of our own children?"

"They have *money chests*, not mite boxes, in Japan."

"Follow up the Little Light Bearers and make them members of a Mission Band."

"Make your missionary an associate member of your society through your letters to her."

"*Be definite* in Mission Band work."

"Avoid ready-made statistics, but furnish the material from which they can be made."

"Do not give for the children."

"Children are deprived of their natural rights when deprived of *Over Sea and Land.*"

Hints about keeping hearts warm in summer: Why not keep up the missionary meetings with the contingent in town? Contribute to the programme by letter if you are flitting. Why not have missionary fancy work for summer hotel piazzas? Share your good things by visiting country missionary societies. Write at least one article during the summer for winter use. City and town remnants might gather for an inspiring *union* missionary meeting.

GATHERED THOUGHTS TO LIVE AND WORK BY.

"The preaching of the Gospel is not elective."

"What you *say* does not so much matter in God's sight. He cares for what you *are* and what you *do*."

"'Lo I am with you alway,'" is God's underscored text for missionaries."

"I see daily how important it is to *work on*."

"This work of missions is the great love story of the nineteenth century. For it we need women who *love much*."

"Be a living example of holy enthusiasm."

"The divine rule for missionary addition is, Seek ye first the Kingdom of God."

"Missionary subtraction is getting rid of self."

"Enthusiasm, plus information, minus selfishness, multiplied by activity, divided by each member of a society equals a successful missionary society."

"Lord, shine on me,
Lord, shine in me,
Oh, Lord, shine through me."

Mary Lombard Brodhead.

At Salina, Kansas, April 18, 19.

ONE can but wish that all our workers who have never attended a Board meeting outside their own section, might have looked in upon the youthful, strong, and earnest faces of our Southwest contingent as they were gathered in the bright and cozy church at Salina. An Emporia lady had packed her satchel the night before and calmly retired saying "*If* I wake at one o'clock and it doesn't rain, I will go." She waked precisely at one o'clock, took the train, and there she was!

The Board of the Southwest really opened Annual Meeting on the train, the preceding day, as it was speeding by the Missouri Pacific railway across the prairie, 150 miles or more west from Kansas City. The President, Mrs. L. D. Hopkins, was about to hand in her resignation on account of change of residence; several other officers were obliged to follow suit, and there was great shrinking and searching of heart on the part of those who were urged to consent to nomination in their places. So we asked for guidance, in one of those hushed meetings where all hearts are as one heart and the prayers that are not voiced seem no less articulate than those which are. We crowded the little stateroom, twelve of us, and a fellow traveler besides whom we had drawn in with us, a Presbyterian sister taking a lonely journey on a sad errand.

Next morning, Salina was all sunshine and apple blossoms and the first public service was the solemn Communion, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. Foulkes.

"It is a great deal to ask of you gentlemen of the Session to leave your business this morning, to serve us," we remarked to one of the Elders.

"Not at all," he answered heartily. "The ladies come very rarely and we are glad to do it."

The first call of the roll was responded to by eighty-four delegates, one of them all the way from Texas. She reported a gain of $100 in offerings, though there are but eight self-supporting churches in the Synod. Missouri, while showing many good points, recorded the sad loss of 500 names from their roll. The first session was largely devoted to revision of by-laws and appointment of committees. Whenever occasion rose for discussion, the Kansas and Missouri delegates took a frank and decided part, and all voices could be heard without effort in

the little church. The address of Wednesday morning was by Rev. W. P. Chalfant, of Ichowfu, China. He and his wife were the only missionaries present, and as they, and one or two others who had traveled far, were laid under tribute again and again, we recalled Miles Standish, impressing the Indians with his force by marching his same few men around and around Plymouth Hill. Mr. Chalfant mentioned a condition of things in Shantung favorable to reception of the Gospel by the more religious souls. This is the existence of secret societies whose object is to attain purity of heart. They have such names as "One-stick-incense Society," "Golden Lily," &c. When their leaders are won (and many have been) they bring after them a following of those who are seeking the truth.

Each session began with a half-hour devotional service. Mrs. Samuel McAfee, of Parkville, Mo., led on Wednesday afternoon. Prayers were ready and definite, not only then but throughout the two days. Mrs. D. B. Wells, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who had for a month been moving among the churches of Kansas, gave us: "I beseech you that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice"—your "bodies so tired with attending meetings, soliciting for the society," and she explained "conformed" and "transformed" with a homely illustration drawn from cake-making.

The retiring Secretary, Miss Fenby, of St. Louis, presented a good report on the Home side of the work of the Board, and the editor of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN, who had gladly come from New York to receive as well as give, spoke upon auxiliary means and forces which may be claimed and utilized for our Lord's advancing Kingdom.

At 4 o'clock, the church saw a beautiful sight: two hundred children ushered in fresh from public school, and the center of the house given up to them. An instructive as well as delightful Children's Hour was conducted by Mrs. L. Knight, of St. Louis. She gave a "missionary basket" object lesson and drew out the children's voices, in answers and hymns. Mr. and Mrs. Chalfant, in Chinese costume, gave another novel object lesson, and some of those eager boys will be able to tell their grandchildren what they saw Mrs. Chalfant take out of *her* basket. The editor, too, was allowed a few words to the fascinating little people.

In the evening, the Salina community turned out, without respect of denomination, to hear Mr. Chalfant and Dr. Gillespie, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. The latter swept us along with him, now to India, now to China, amid the scenes of his recent tour.

Thursday morning, Mrs. Tweeddale, of Topeka, Kansas, led the devotional service. Mrs. Geo. Martin, wife of the pastor of the First Church, St. Louis, gave a model talk which opened with recommendation of "special objects" and closed with a charge to contribute to the "general fund." Mrs. Wells gave an apt, clear and useful address on "Missionary Biology" or "How to Make a Missionary Woman." Our several magazines received kind mention here and there, and WOMAN'S WORK was spoken for by the editor. She began with a little story of how she first heard of Salina in the summer of 1886, when a postal card requested her to drop a certain subscriber's name. Looking it up and discovering that the writer was one of only two subscribers in Salina, she had written, remonstrating against cutting off "half the subscription list" in that town. The writer had turned out to be the good Lutheran minister, who not only handsomely renewed his wife's subscription for three years but became the instrument of increasing the number of Presbyterian subscribers in the place.

Mrs. C. R. Hume, of Indian Territory, led well a "Discussion Hour." "How shall Treasurers' books be kept so as to have no discrepancy between Presbyterial and Board reports?" Answered: Close all books on the same day and not report money which is "coming in a few days" but has not been paid in. Mrs. Wells strongly favored synodical organization and holding Board Meeting in the autumn. She said that, had it not been for a dozen presbyterial meetings already held this spring, we would have had fifty more women at Salina. "How impress 'What shall I render unto the Lord' upon the auxiliary?" Answered: Be willing to talk missions to an audience of one.

Mrs. Chalfant's subject was: "The Heathen Woman." In tones soft and loving, as if almost reluctant to have us know the whole terrible truth, she pictured her—and our hearts melted with pity and desire to save. The Treasurer, Miss McGintie, reported receipts nearly equal to last year. The Chairman on nominations, Mrs. J. A. Allen, of St. Louis, made a happy speech and referred affectionately to the retiring

President. The new officers were elected and prayer offered for them.

In the absence of the Foreign Secretary, Mrs. Meade C. Williams of St. Louis, who had been suddenly called to Princeton by the illness of her son, her "Survey of the Foreign Field" was read in sections by the newly-chosen President, Mrs. Sholes of St. Louis. As each country came before us, the representatives there from the Southwest were in turn named, reported and set in remembrance with all their labors, before God. Then we sang

"In city or on prairie
The world for Jesus, now."

Committees reported, and the next meeting was appointed to Springfield, Mo. Parting words were called for. Very solemn was Brother Chalfant's answer to the question "Would you go to China if you were to do it over?"—a man's answer, free from touch of sentiment, deliberate, counting all the cost to himself and others—"Yes, I think I would." Referring to the influence of his parents upon that life-decision, very keen were his words to mothers present —some of them with infants in their arms —"Have you realized that you are sharpening a sword which shall pierce your own soul also? You cannot escape the logic of your position." Mrs. Chalfant's was a woman's answer—warm with a buoyant but disciplined enthusiasm. Yes, she would go to China to see a man beaten with hundreds of stripes for Christ's sake—to see that heathen woman born again in Christ's image—"and when the last battle is fought in China and the victory is won and the scarred Leader takes his throne, I want to say: I was *there*, *I* was there!"

Mrs. Hopkins turned last thoughts to the lesson of our Saviour feeding the multitude. Minutes were read, the benediction was pronounced. There was to be a Young People's Rally in the evening, but by that time the editor was on her way westward towards Colorado Springs and Pike's Peak, and the next meeting,—

At Denver, Colorado, April 25, 26.

THE twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Board of the Northwest felt the touch of chastening. As the more than 150 registered delegates and visitors were coming into Denver, Tuesday evening, over the iron roads from eight States, the outward-bound Chicago train was bearing away the brave-hearted President, Mrs. Penfield, to whom strength was denied for the longed-for meeting. Next morning, the delegation of Chicago ladies after thirty-six hours' travel stepped off the sleeping-car and, pausing only for breakfast, took their places promptly on the platform of the Central Church, where they guided and inspired till the meeting closed, and, turning about, immediately retraced their journey of a thousand miles. We wondered what our meeting might have gained in power, if all our missionary women within a radius of two hundred miles from Denver had made a proportionate sacrifice of strength and money, to be there.

Mrs. Herrick Johnson presided: her first utterance "The Lord is in his holy temple," and the first hymn, the same that had ushered in our praise at Salina, "Holy, holy, holy." Opening prayer was offered by the venerable Mrs. Van Cleve of Minneapolis and Mrs. Jacobs read the minutes. In place of the sometimes stereotyped forms, we received a remarkable "Welcome" from Mrs. Kellogg of Denver. The work that engages us reaches farther than depths of gold and silver mines, to the center of human interests. It is lighting beacon fires among the habitations of cruelty, and one fire shall melt into another until the shadows flee away. They could not welcome us as in days of brighter prosperity when their city sat a queen saying, "I shall never see sorrow." She had been discrowned in one day; haply she may learn that "except the Lord build the city the watchman waketh in vain." Our hostesses might not be able to extend all their wonted courtesies —"the coachman may have found other employment"—but such as they had was freely shared. Mrs. Johnson responding, instanced the example of "old Aunt Clara," a colored woman who sent up a bunch of flowers "with her prayers" at a certain Denver meeting; and Dr. Wm. M. Thomson, late of that city, "who wrote of the Land and had gone to the Fatherland."

The refrain of financial trouble sounded through synodical reports, but most of the States, like Colorado, would make no apology for loss in offerings and pointed cheerily to gain in other directions.

Mrs. D. B. Wells, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, gave a practical address upon "Growth," beginning with the reason why the child fell out of bed—"He wasn't in far enough."

Reports were long; those of the Foreign

Secretaries were read in sections. If the audience had been consulted, (judging from whispers all about the editor's seat) they would have chosen to read those excellent reports at home and listen to missionary *speakers* at Denver, especially Thursday afternoon, when some were obliged to take their train before the speakers were called. Wednesday afternoon was not crowded, so the editor of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN was allowed a generous forty minutes for her address upon "Tied Colts." She illustrated by facts from mission fields, that, as the Master once "had need of" a secular colt to be loosed for his triumphal procession, so many objects and forces may be made to move, to run, on the King's errands if they are only set free. Every word that Miss Garvin said was caught up eagerly, remembering that she would pass directly from us back to Japan. Her sympathy with the Japanese and appreciation of their progress were apparent. "They must be taken on their own ground; they don't like to be called 'heathen.'" With all Japan before her, she yet turned away to urge the reading of missionary literature in order to become serviceable workers. Half a dozen other speakers did the same at Denver. We never heard the subject so generally emphasized in a meeting, and were not surprised when a Methodist listener came up to subscribe for "our" magazine.

Several good papers were presented in the admirable Young People's Hour. One especially, the thought being to take the same Christ, who is our pattern in prayer and self-denial, into all social life. Mrs. Collier, of Denver, explained the Christian Endeavor Extension Course. While "Lead, kindly light," was sweetly sung at the piano, two deaf-mute young ladies accompanied from the platform, with the graceful motions of the sign language. As Mrs. Wells said, What do those owe who have lips? Mrs. Reuben Lowrie, of Peking—"just an inspiration to missionary work to look at her," as a young lady whispered—introduced a group of young people in Chinese costume, by Chinese names, accompanying each introduction with a chapter of personal history, just as if they were the individuals whom they personated. This gave lifeikeness to what she told us.

A good attendance of Denver men came to evening meeting, where Dr. Gillespie delivered an address worthy of the fact that, not the pyramids but the Rocky Mountains were looking down on us. A grand organ and wide-awake music helped, and the words of the pastor, Dr. Freeman, who (as the Salina pastor, also) did everything possible to his place to make the whole meeting a delightful remembrance.

Thursday morning there was a heavenly prayer-meeting led by Mrs. Helm, of Chicago. Fifty present at the opening became perhaps two hundred at the close; subject—Loving Obedience. Hearts were drawn very near to one another and to the Saviour.

Question Hour, conducted by Mrs. Brownell of Detroit, was too good to pass by in this report,—but space is inexorable. Mrs. Farwell, Treasurer of the Board, in answer to a question from the audience, said: "Five cents and one mill on a dollar represents the entire cost of administration of foreign missions in our Church." She made a strong presentation of the requirements of loyalty to the Treasury. Various foreigners are appealing to our membership who are "not accredited subjects of our benevolence."

Mrs. Lowrie gave a hint of how some missionaries use their salary. It is as much the duty of millionaires to be missionaries as of the poor; scarcely anybody is too old and no one is too rich or too good. Mrs. Foote, formerly Miss Jackson of Syria, did hard work for the meeting and offered a few words about the Undines with slumbering souls.

Mrs. J. Milton Greene, formerly of Mexico, was so embarrassed by the short time allotted to her subject that she felt "like sitting right down." She was pleasantly surprised by a map of Mexico on the wall. She illustrated the idolatry of "our nearest neighbors" by an image for which the owner had refused a flock of sheep; the blasphemy, by a "lager beer saloon of the Holy Ghost." "Mexico has no Bible, no Sabbath, no pure ministry." A semicircle of actual and ex-missionaries were summoned to the platform and each offered a text or stanza in her adopted tongue." Miss Garvin's dress, her ceremonious bow and Japanese lullaby, delicate as falling cherry blossoms, suggested the very atmosphere of Japan.

In closing, Mrs. Johnson referred to the absent President, "whose buoyant, energetic spirit sees always the glad side, and who would wish to have a stimulating thought left with you. Nothing can arouse us to-day like seeing Jesus." Illustrating by the many-sided beauties of Milan cathedral, "We must look *upon* him, we must look *up* to him, we must be hidden *in* him, we must walk through all the revelation of

his grace and glory." She pictured a great procession going with their sheaves up the golden way, "Moffat and Livingstone carrying Africa captive" for Christ; "Martyn, Heber, bearing up the glorious sheaf of India," and so through the lands; and when she asked, "Can you bear the piercing thought that your name should be left out, when he shall call that roll?" we knew we could not.

The committee on place of next meeting reported to go to Detroit, "if our Lord delay his coming."

Great privilege it was—Salina and Denver. How true to traditions, all their hospitality! What lovable faces drift back to the mind's eye, framed in Kansas and Colorado bonnets, and written all over with

"Sweet records, promises as sweet."

Long will their voices float back: the enthusiastic girls' "We are red hot on missions"—the dear young mother's' "My highest wish that one of mine be a missionary"—"*Our* Magazine," in a hundred kind tones. These were among the editor's meditations while flying eastward across Pennsylvania. Its fields and orchards lay mute and bleak under fresh snow when we went out; now they were become a garden of bloom and the little hills laughed on every side—as it shall be in that cold, heathen world when Christ's springtime comes.

Ellen C. Parsons.

At San Francisco, California, April, 5, 6.

WERE the space available we could nearly fill a whole number of WOMAN'S WORK with a description of the inspiring features of the Occidental Board's twenty-first annual meeting, held at 920 Sacramento St.

The attainment of our majority and our establishment in a new home were enough to make all hearts ready to break forth at the slightest provocation into "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." The bright sunshine streaming into the beautiful assembly room smiled upon our faithful President, and glanced from the happy faces of the delegates to the teachers, who gave bright reports of their interesting work among the heathen in our midst. Not every Board has such a picture of the Flowery Kingdom before them as our crowded Chinatown presents. Eastern friends who were present were greatly interested in accounts of the house-to-house visitors; in the thrilling accounts, also, of Miss Houseworth and Miss Culbertson, of the escape of slave girls—one perilously climbing over several roof-tops and fleeing to the Mission; another, stolen from her rescuers, kept in hiding and cruelly treated for weeks.

The rooms were crowded from platform to doorway as the President gave a welcome with a Scriptural motto, which was responded to in like manner by the presbyterial delegates. Reports by officers of the Occidental Board were intensely interesting, each recounting the difficulties and triumphs of their several positions. A most able address was given by Mrs. Geo. Barstow, a former President, reviewing the work "After Twenty-one Years," and "Suggestive Thoughts" were given by workers from Los Angeles, San Jose, Oakland, etc. A beautiful tribute to those called to "come up higher" was given in the poem "In Memoriam," by Mrs. H. B. Pinney.

Friday morning was devoted to the election of officers and reports of presbyterial delegates. The entire list of efficient officers was re-elected. Our undaunted President, Mrs. P. D. Browne, is ready for any emergency, and her faith in the ability of the Occidental Board to do its God-appointed work is limitless.

A Chinese King's Daughters' Society was a bright feature of the afternoon. Dressed in their Oriental garb, these young women from the Christian Chinese homes made a deep impression on all who beheld them. The singing of the babies was reinforced by the little two-year-old Syrian, David Solomon, the only boy in the Mission House, who tries to follow the thread-like voices of Ah Lon and Isabel, although he cannot speak English. His pretty dimples and big black eyes have won him many friends, and his support has been guaranteed by a lady in Alameda, until his mother is able to secure money sufficient for her return to Syria. Among notable speakers at the meetings were Miss Mary L. Cort, formerly of Siam; Mr. McCoy, of Pitcairn Island, and Miss Agnes Hosborough, of the China Inland Mission. Miss Cort's description of the deplorable condition of Buddhist women in Siam was emphasized by Mrs. Condit, who told of a similar state of affairs in Chinatown. Lack of space forbids further mention, except to say that the past year has, in spite of hard times and the added obligation of a new building, shown the best record in the history of this Board.

Thirty-five thousand dollars is the grand sum total which has passed through our Treasurer's hands in one twelvemonth, and, free from debt and our pledges met, there is a little money left over. Can we ever doubt that "the Lord is mindful of His own?"

Edith K. Latham.

At Portland, Oregon, April 17, 18.

No Report has been received.

CALIFORNIA WOMAN'S CONGRESS OF MISSIONS.

[This Congress was held in connection with the Midwinter Fair, the last week in April. Our Editorial Committee, Miss M. L. Berry, was President. We have space for the following extracts only.—EDITOR.]

. . . In these meetings all denominational lines were wiped out and one thought pervaded all—"Thy Kingdom come." Behind these months of preparation lay years of prayerful service, and serving fits one for efficient work, even though the name of "servant" seems to grate so harshly on some ears. The papers were able and Scriptural. The line of thought was logical. It was: The City, The State, The Nation, The World. One of the papers upon "The Jews," by a lady who for seven years traveled in the Holy Land, is soon to be published and will be of great value.

The informal reception given at the Palace Hotel aroused much interest, as there were, among those who took part in the brief programme, people from every land. The young Syrian girls educated in the Beirût school took part dressed in their native costume. They were living witnesses to what Christian schools may do for Syrian girls. A tourist denied herself a necklace to educate one of these girls. The Young People's Evening will be "a picture on memory's wall" as long as memory lasts. The boys of the vested choirs of the Episcopal Church marching down the aisle singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," followed by the various companies of the Boys' Brigades and large numbers of old and young, until one of the largest churches of the city was filled to overflowing, showed that if the agnostic and skeptic write and talk, the children of to-day are behind them "marching as to war." The last afternoon the platform was filled with missionaries of different Boards, old and young taking part. It seems as if missions will henceforth be ingrained in the very life of those who participated in this Congress. . . . .

Only a century between Carey and ourselves, but what a century!

Mrs. P. D. Browne.

NEW AUXILIARIES AND BANDS.

IOWA.

Blairstown, Sen. C.E.
" Jr C.E.
" King's Daughters.
Cedar Rapids, 2nd Ch., Sen. S.C.E.
" " Jr. C.E.
" 4th Ch., S.C.E.
Lansing, S.C.E.
Marion, S.C.E.
Monticello, S.C E
Vinton, S.C.E.
Wyoming, Jr. C.E.

KANSAS.

Larned, Y. L. Circle.

KENTUCKY.

Cloverport.
Danville, 2d Ch., Lucas Bd.
Lexington, 2d Ch., Young People's.
" " " Lighthearers.
Louisville, Ch. of the Covenant, Bd.
" " " " Busy Bees.
" " " " Sunbeams.
Princeton, Hawthorne Bd.
Williamstown.

MICHIGAN.

Evart, S.C.E.
Hesperia, S.C.E.
Port Huron, 1st Ch.

MINNESOTA.

Buffalo, King's Sons and Daughters.
Minneapolis, Stewart Mem'l, Girls' Bd.
Rockford.

MISSOURI.

Brownington, Nancy RoseBand.
Hannihal, Jr. C.E.
Macon, S.C.E.
Rolla, S.C.E.
St. Louis, Second Ch., S.C.E.
" " " Senior S.C.E.
" North Ch., Helping Hands.

NEW YORK.

Binghamton, 1st Ch., Young People's.
" Floral Ave. Ch.
" West Ch., Band.
Blooming Grove, Bethlehem Ch., Girls' Bd.
Brooklyn, Mem'l Ch., Girls' Bd.
" South Chapel, Cheerful Workers.
Buffalo, East Ch., Bd.
" First Ch., Volunteers.
" North Ch., Mary Van Duzee Bd.
" West Ch., Willing Workers' of King's Daughters.
Canastota, Young People's Soc.
" Loyal Band, Sr.
" " " Jr.
" Mead League.
Cuha, S.C.E.
Deposit, Jr. C.E.
Elmira, Franklin St. Ch.
Fredonia, Band.
Gowanda.
" Golden Links.
Hastings.
Highland Falls, 1st Ch., Jr. C E.
Horseheads, Young People's Soc.
" Boys' and Girls' Army.
Ithaca, 1st Ch., Little Owls.
Kenmore.
Lewiston, Young People's Soc.
Manlius, Young Ladies' Circle.
Middlefield, Bd.
Milton-on-Hudson.
Newfield.
Nichols, 1st Ch.
Otego.
Palmyra, West Ch., Y. P. Guild.
" " " Earnest Helpers.
Prehle.
Rome, Jr. C.E.
Skaneateles, 1st Ch., White Guards.
Southampton, 1st Ch., Seaside Bd.
" Junior Soc.
Syracuse, East, Jr. C.E.
" Park Ch., Laffin League.
Wassaic.
Watkins, S.C.E.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Devil's Lake, Northern Lights.

OHIO.

Delhi, S.C.E.
Logan, Jr. C.E.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Allegheny, McClure Ave. Ch., S.C E.
" North Ch., Young Ladies'.
Bellevue, S.C.E.
Coraopolis, S.C.E
Dunmore, Young Ladies' Circle.
Edgewood, S.C.E.
Glenolden, S.C.E.
Greenville, Star of Hope Band.
Lehanon, S.C.E.
McKees Rocks, Little Lightbearers.
Philadelphia, Princeton Ch., Jr. C.E.
Scranton, 1st Ch., Lucy Logan Band.
Sunhury, S.C.E.
Sylvania, Cameron Circle.
Tyrone, J. R. Davies Band.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Good Will.

WISCONSIN.

Oregon.

SINCE LAST MONTH.

ARRIVALS.

April 17.—At Boston, Rev. Robt. Morrison and family, from Saharanpur, India. Address, Spring Lake, N. J.

April 21.—At New York, Dr. Emma Templin, whose health has failed after a little more than a year of earnest service at Allahabad. Address, Marshall, Ohio.

Also her escort, Dr. Jessica Carleton, of Ambala, India. Address, ———.

April 22.—At New York, Rev. Frank P. Gilman and family, from Hainan, China. Address, Mount Morris, N. Y.

May 6.—At New York, Mrs. A. C. Good and son, from Batanga, West Africa. Address, 53 Fifth Ave., New York.

DEPARTURES.

April 10.—From San Francisco, Rev. Graham Lee, returning to the Korea Mission, accompanied by Mrs. Lee and her mother, Mrs. Webb.

April 23.—From Vancouver, B. A., Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Kerr, returning to Canton, China.

May 8.—From San Francisco, returning to Japan, Miss A. E. Garvin, to Osaka; Mrs. Laura Naylor, to Kanazawa; Miss Mary Winn, young daughter of Rev. Thos. Winn, returning to her parents.

May 14.—From Vancouver, Rev. C. R. Mills, D.D., and family, returning to Tungchow, N. China.

May 15.—From New York, Miss Sarah J. Munson, for San Paulo, Brazil.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from April 1, 1894.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ATHENS.—Amesville, 8; Athens, 8.63, S.C.E., 12.50; Beverly, 5, S.C.E., 72 cts.; Cheshire, 7.57; Gallipolis, 10; Logan, 38.40, Willing Workers, 20; Marietta, 90; Middleport, S.S., 20, S.C.E., 21.60; Nelsonville, 16; New Matamoras, 39, S.C.E., 5; New Plymouth, 4.50, S.C.E., 10; Pomeroy, 8; Syracuse, a lady, tithings, 16.25; Tupper's Plains, 8.75; Warren, S.C.E., 2, $351.92

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, Aisquith St., Mizpah Bd., 10; Balt. Central, 12; 1st, 168.40, Hope Inst. Mission, 43.60; 12th Bd., 3; Lafayette, 25; Westm'r, Willing Helpers, 25, 287 00

BUTLER.—Allegheny, 4.50; Amity, 18; Buffalo, 20; Butler, 102.19, S.C.E., 48.30; Centreville, 18.85; Clintonville, 6, Y.L.B., 17; Concord, 25; Crestview, 11; Grove City, 37, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E., Jr., 5.65; Harlansburg, 15; Harrisville, 13; Martinsburg, 20; Middlesex, 32.50; Millbrook, S.C.E., 10; Muddy Creek, 24.80; Mt. Nebo, 13, Potter Bd., 3; New Hope, S.S. Bd., 20; New Salem, 14; North Liberty, 22.75, Workers for Jesus, 8.70; North Washington, 10; Portersville, 30; Prospect, 12, Bd., 2; Scrub Grass, 28.20; Summit, 13.70; Unionville, 9.25; W. Sunbury, 8, Busy Bees, 12.55; Zelienople, 35, S.S., 9.31, 685.25

CARLISLE.—Harrisburg, Market Sq., S.S., 27.72; Dickinson Legacy Mrs. E. H. Galbreath, 15, 42.72

CATAWBA.—Concord, Scotia Sem., 25, S.S. Cl., 18.70; Laurinsburg, 4, 47.70

CHILLICOTHE.—Hillsboro, S.C.E., 35.10; Marshall, Mite Gathers, 2.58; Wilkesville, S.C.E., 5, 42.68

CINCINNATI.—Avondale, 162.50; Bethel, 39.50; Cincinnati, 1st, 25.73, Lights for Darkness, 44, Willing Workers, 10; 2d, 182.31, Mem'l Bd., 150, S.S., 15; 3d, 84.38, S.S., 20, S.C.E., 7; 5th, S.S., 25; 7th, 70.35, S.S., 50; Central, 62, Y.L.B., 13.40; Clifton, 65, McAlpin Bd., 25; Mohawk, 32.11, Boys' Brigade, 5.89, S.S., 3; Mt. Auburn, 217.36, S.S., 46; North, 57.60, Thompson Mem'l Bd., 48.16, Willing Workers, 15; Poplar St., Shining Lights, 41, S.C.E., 9; Sabbath Day, 60; Walnut Hills, 99, Humphrey Bd., 25, Peacemakers, 10.80, Army of Peace, 11.26, Fullerton Bd., 25, Acorn Bd., 10.02, Calvary Chapel Bd., 1.50, S.S., 50; Westm'r, 40; Cleves & Berea, 8; College Hill, 63.50, Y.P.B., 5; Delhi, 18.60; Glendale, 42.44, Earnest Workers, 20, Friends of Missions, 20; Harrison, 12; Hartwell, 16; Lebanon, 69.75, S.C.E., 20; Linwood, 18, Calvary Workers, 25, S.C.E., 10; Loveland, 32.76, Madeira, 1.03; Madisonville, 4, Y.L.B., 12; Mason, 5; Montgomery, 14, S.C.E., 8; Morrow, 30.20; New Richmond, 14; Norwood, 20; Pleasant Ridge, 29.62, L. L. Bearers, 1; Reading & Lockland, 11; Springdale, 20.30; Westwood, 25, S.C.E., 10; Williamsburg, 9.43; Wyoming, 57.86, Y.L.B., 20, Willing Workers, 20, 2,562.76

CLARION.—Academia, 10; Beechwoods, 68.54, Busy Bees, 43.10; Brockwayville, 20.21; Brookville, 127, Y.L.B., 75, Rain or Shine Bd., 34.25; Clarion, 93, Gleaners, 3, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E., Jr., 8.60, Y.L.B., 40; Emlenton, 45.11, S.C.E., 12; Greenville, 40, Children's Bd., 9, S.C.E., 10; Leatherwood, 16; Licking, 32; Mt. Tabor, 6; New Bethlehem, Y.L.B., 63.89, Star Bd., 29; Oak Grove, Earnest Workers, 7.98; Oil City, 2d, 30; Penfield, 5; Pisgah, 45; Punxutawney, 7.56; Reynoldsville, 50; Richland, 6; Tionesta, 60; Wilcox, 17.80, Bd., 3.50, S.C.E., 10, 1,053.54

CLEVELAND.—Akron, 13.40; Ashtabula, 28.50, Penny-a-week Bd., 15; Cleveland, 1st, 241.30, Haydn Circle, 50, S.S., 55.17, Mrs. L. Austin, 100; 2d, 101.03, Handy Bd., 106, James Eells Bd., 125, S.S., 160, Primary Sch., 30; Beckwith, 53 13, S.S., 25, S.C.E., 7; Bethany, 8.50; Bolton Ave., 22.56, S.C.E., Jr., 5; Calvary, 114.62, S.S., 50, S.C.E., Jr., 10; Case Ave., 21.30, Golden Rule Bd., 15, S.S., 15, S.C.E., Sr., 22, S.C.E. Intermediate, 3.30; Euclid Ave., 66, S.S., 50, Miss Walworth, 150; Madison Ave., 2.50, Chalfant Bd., 4.05, Gaston Bd., 5.42, S.C.E., 2; Miles Park, 10, S.S., 10, Curtis Bd., 5, S.C.E., 5, Mrs. E. F. Collins, 25; North, 17.75, Forget-me-not S.C.E., 10, Primary Sch., 12; South, 10.56, S.C.E., 10; Wilson Ave., 11, S.S., 20.25, S.C.E., 4.60; Woodland, 291.96, Sarah Adams Bd., 80, Bushnell Boys, 30, S.C.E., Jr., 10; E. Cleveland, 57, S.C.E., 5; Guilford, 11.20; Northfield, 9.70; N. Springfield, 7; Orwell, 9, S.C.E., 6; Painesville, Lake Erie Sem., 35.82; Parma, 10.90, Gleaners, 8.60, S.S., 5; Rome, 15.25, Y.P. Guild, 75 cts.; S. New Lyme, 9.50; Streetsboro, 2.46; Willoughby, 16.47, 2,450.49

COLUMBUS.—Amanda, Westm'r League, 2.30, Y.P.S., 2; Central College, 29; Circleville, 32.20; Columbus, 1st, 45.80, Altruists, 5, Jesus' Little Ones, 15, Delia Loving Bd., 30; Columbus, 2d, 196.22, Mrs. L. P. Stafford, 30, Y.L.B., 30, Y.L.C., 15, H.H. Bd., 6, Moore Bd., 6.70, Primary Sch., 18.82, Mrs. Ferris' Class, 38.20; Columbus, Broad St., 164.72; 5th Ave., 35.85, Y.L.B., 15; St. Clair Ave., 9.10; Westminster, 101.49, Y.L.B., 50, W. Workers, 26.50, Little Helpers, 185; Groveport, 4; Lancaster, 25.90, S.S., 19.78, Boyd Bd., 20; Lithopolis, 10.30; London, 48, Mrs. Finley, 15, S.C.E., 6, Boys' Bd., 4; Lower Liberty, 22.20; Mifflin, 17.30, Mary Clark Bd., 4.62; Mt. Sterling Aux. and S.S., 13.90; Rush Creek, 23; Scioto, 5.20; Westerville, 28.25, H. Bushell Bd., 15, Mrs. C. T. Smith, 20; Worthington, 5; Col. Meeting, 54.74, 1,268.94

DAYTON.—Alexanderville, Mary Coe Bd., 8; Batb, 3; Belle Brook, 1.80; Blue Ball, 17.40; Camden, 11; Clifton, 14, Y.L.B., 63; Collinsville, 20.75; Dayton, 1st, 90, Y.L.B., 35, S.S., 55; 3d St, 330; 4th, 40, Buds of Promise, 8.25; Mem'l, 24.05, Y L B., 60, Golden Rule Bd., 10.25, Light Bearers, 3, S S., 5.20, S.C.E., 7 02; Riverdale, 10; Wayne Ave., S.C.E., 7.91; Eaton, 5; Frankliu, 29, Bd., 1.50, S.C.E, 1.75; Gettysburg, 10; Greenville, 28.93; Hamilton, 1st, 62; Hamilton, Westm'r, 55, S.S., 10; Middletown, 62.33; New Carlisle, 23 20; New Jersey, 5.08; Osborn, 2.50; Oxford, 59, Howard Bd., 40; Piqua, 149, Boys' Bd., 4, Alpha Bd., 10, S.S., 25.44; Reilley, 3; Seven Mile, Olives, 13.05; Somerville, 10; S. Charleston, 11.50, S.C.E., 2.66; Springfield, 1st, 142, S.C.E., 67.90, S.C.E., Jr., 5, S.S., 61 50, Jesus' Lambs, 32; 2d, 104, Y.L.B., 38, S S., 10; 3d, 34.40; Troy, 61.27, 2d Soc., 37.50, Mrs. S. K. Drury, 40, Mrs. H. E. Drury, 25, Mrs. J. H. Drury, 10; Xenia, 62.70, Conversazione, 17.01, S.S., 48.39, S.C.E., 5; Yellow Sps., 27 39, 2,327.63

ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge, 43.75, Gleaners, 63, S.C.E., 5; Bethlehem, 50; Clinton, 25, Lend-a-Hand Bd., 15, Star Bd., 5; Connecticut Farms, 35.10; Cranford, 59; Dunellen, 13; Elizabeth Assoc, 491 14, 1st, M. Morrison Bd., 25, King's Children, 24, A Family, 60; 2d, Light Bearers, 126; 3d, Bd., 40; Westm'r, Bd., 172, King's Children, 20; Madison Ave., Y.L.B., 12 17; Marshall St., Y.P.S., 15, Cheerful Givers, 46; Lamington, 46 50, Blauvelt Bd., 30; Liberty Corners, 10; Metuchen, 22, Little Gleaners, 34.55; Perth Amboy, 19.49, S.C.E., Jr., 10; Plainfield Assoc., 258.07, Y.L.B., 100; 1st, S.S., 60; Crescent Ave, E. Workers, 47; Pluckamin, 74 20, Crescent Bd., 27 80; Rahway, 1st, 50.95; Rahway, 2d, 107.23, Harvest Bd., 37 35, S.C.E., 2 65; Roselle, 44 76, S.C.E., Jr, 3 65, L. L. Bearers, 9.50; Springfield, 54, Infant Cl., 13.50; Westfield, 25; Woodbridge, 30; A Lady, 2; Pres. Soc., 5, 2,470.42

ERIE.—Atlantic, 5, Belle Valley, 16, S.C.E., 3; Bradford, 100, Chinese S.S., 5; Cambridge, 53.62, Y.L.B., 12 31, Boys' Bd., 5, Bartlett Bd., 2.75; Cochranton, 19.72, Y.L.B., 5, Ch. Workers, 1; Conneautville, 27.15; Corry, 25; Edinboro, 9.60; Erie, 1st, 408.20, L. L. Bearers, 7.50, S.S, 21; Central, 181.45; Chestnut St, 27, Y.L.B., 16.25; Park, 214, S.C.E., 10; Fairview, 21; Franklin, 406.03, Y.L.B., 52, Olive Br., 15, S.S., 57.80, Jewels, 11.46, Merry Workers, 4.21; Fredonia, 6; Garland, 20.60; Georgetown, 8.10; Girard, 29.87, S.C.E., 2, S.C.E., Jr.,30 cts; Gravel Run, S.C.E.,6.50; Greenville,135.25, Y.L.B., 25; Hadley, 20.25; Harbor Creek, 8; Harmonsburg, 3.25; Jamestown, 18.25, Grace Bd, 25; Kerr Hill, 75; Meadville, 12, Y.L.S., 46, Cl. No. 6, 1, Kate Reynolds Bd., 5; Meadville, Central, 45.27, Y.L.B., 10.25, Girls' Bd., 10; Mercer, 1st, 60, Y.L.B., 25; 2d, 114 68, Y.P.S., 50.85, Do-what-you-can Bd., 10; Mill Village, 6; Mt. Pleasant, 26.64, Apple Blossoms, 45; New Lebanon, 10.15; N. East, 162, Y.L.S., 84, Do-wbat-we-can Bd., 8, S.S, 22; Oil City, 1st, 88, Y.L.S., 45, S.C.E., Jr., 10, S.S., 40; Pittsfield, 5.15; Pleasantville, 30.25, Fragment Bd., 1.50, Laurel Bd., 5.50, Bartlett Bd., 2.75, S.S., 7.68; Sandy Lake, 18.55, Bd., 4.01; Springfield, 15, S. Cross Bd., 1; Stoneboro, 40.15; Sugar Creek, 26.80; Sunville, 15.50; Tidioute, 45, Wide Awake Bd., 20; Titusville, 519.28, Y.L.B., 181.61, Mission Sch., 6, S.C.E., 50, Four Leaf Bd., 40.80, Primary Cl., 10; Union City, 36.78; Utica, 10; Venango, 5.39; Warren, Y.L.B., 150; Waterford, 26; Waterloo, 5; Wattsburg, 8, 4,347.96

HOLSTON.—Asheville, Oakland Inst., 13.25, Fancy Work Club, 3.75, S.C.E., 4; Elizabethton, 7.50; Jonesboro, 6; Rogersville, St. Mark's, 11.42, 45.92

HUNTINGDON.—Altoona, 2d, 50 cts.; Bellefonte, 3; Hollidaysburg, Whatsoever Bd., 23; Huntingdon, Y.L.B., 15, Earnest Workers, Sr., 3, Earnest Workers, Jr., 2.25, S.C.E., 7; Martinsburg, 18.75; Phillipsburg, 3, 75.50

JERSEY CITY.—Arlington, 30, Golden Rod Bd., 5, Englewood, 512.79, Wilder Mem. Bd., 75, Endeavor Circle, 5; Garfield, 3, S.C.E., Jr., 2; Hackensack, 10; Hoboken, 50, Wood Violets, 20; Jersey City, 1st, 142.11, S.C.E., Jr., 22.02; 2d, 65, S.S., 15; Claremont, 12; Scotch, 25; Westminster, 22, S.C.E., Jr., 5; Newfoundland, 52; Passaic, 1st, 78 40, Pansy Bd., 69.31, S.C.E., Jr., 4; Paterson, 1st, 50, Y.L.B, 26.67; 2d, 85, L. L. Bearers, 4.25; Ch. of the Redeemer, 230, Y.P.B., 27.26; 3d, 2 45; Westm'r, 10.75, W. Workers, 4; Rutherford, 134.12, Y.L.B., 40.84, S.C.E., 9.16; Tenafly, 16; W. Hoboken, Workers, 105; W. Milford, 40, W. Workers, 30, 2,028.13

KINGSTON.—Chattanooga, 2d, 6, S.C.E., Jr., 12.90; Northside, S.C.E., Jr., 3.50, 18.21

KITTANNING.—Apollo, 28.53, Hopeful Bd., 2.55, Faithful Workers, 1.42, Virginia Jack Mem'l, 5; Bethel, 25; Boiling Spring, 20; Centre, 4.75; Cberry Run, 6 90; Clarksburg, 20; Concord, 8; Currie's Run, 24.10; Ebenezer, 30; Elders Ridge, 56 30, Donaldson Bd., 12.90, S.C.E., 20; Elderton, 19.05; Freeport, S.S, 40; Glade Run, 22.45; Harmony, 20; Homer City, 6; Jacksonville, 19, S.S., 40; Kittanning, 200; Leechburgh, 50; Mechanicsburg, 11.64, Andende Bd., 99 cts.; Marion, 12.30; Parker, 17.80; Saltsburg, Sunbeam Bd., 7; Slate Lick, 40; Srader's Grove, 18.50; Tunnellton, 8; Union, 6; Washington, 23.75; W. Glade Run, 25; W. Lebanon, 24.77, S.S. Cl., 16.23; Worthington, 10.75, 904.68

LACKAWANNA.—Ashley, 33.40, King's Messengers, 40; Athens, 18, Willing Workers, 4.10, S.S., 2.50; Bennett, 7, S.S., 5; Canton, 7; Carbondale, 8.70, Y.L.B., 10.30; Dunmore, 48.30, Y.L.S., 40; Franklin, 9; Great Bend, 30; Harmony, 15, Junior Bd., 3.60; Hawley, 11.30, Mountain Daisies, 4.50; Honesdale, 40.75, Mizpah Bd., 12.50; Kingston, 84.21, Paul Circle, 5.50, S.C.E., 30; Langcliffe, 37.50; Moosic, S.C.E., 25, S.S., 41; Monroeton, 12.50, DeHeer Bd., 8.20; Montrose, 138.38; New Milford, 9; Pittston, 1st, 72.54, Parke Bd., 79, Laycom Bd., 1.40, Bethel Bd., 29, Lakawn Bd., 15; Plymoutb, 38.15, Morning Sun Bd., 8.50; Scranton, 1st, 100, Juv. Soc., 100; Scranton, 2d, 412, Boys' Bd., 70; Green Ridge Ave., 97.83, Lend-a-Hand Bd., 10; Providence, 36; Washburn St., 23.40, Bertha La Mont, 72.40, S.C.E., 5; Shickshinny, 36.23, Annie Morton Bd., 25, Co-laborers Bd., 7.20, S.S., 18.07; Stella, 35; Stevensville, 8.71, Youths' Bd., 5.29; Susquehanna, 13.50; Towanda, 60, S.C.E., Jr., 15, S.C.E., 25.91, Overton Bd., 15; Troy, 15, Birthday Bd., 6.25; Tunkhannock, 58.75, S.C.E., Jr., 3.15; Wells and Columbia, 10.45; W. Pittston, 70.80, Y.P.B., 10 50, W. Workers, 10, D. Livingstone Bd., 12; Wilkesbarre, 1st, 176.12, Y.L.B., 30, Mrs. Loop's Bd., 10; Mem'l, 80, Whosoever Will, 52, Mem'l Circle, 8.60, Mary, Lynde and Frank, Mem'l, 13.04; Wyalusing, 1st, 20; Wyoming, 52, S.C.E., Jr., 1, 2,817.03

LIMA.—Columbus Grove, 20; Findlay, 21.90, Y.L.B., 35, Lilies of the Field, 40.55; Lima, 32.50; St. Mary's, 18, W. Workers, 2.97; Sidney, 50, 220.92

MAHONING.—Alliance, 14.75, Bd. 6.60; Canfield, 20; Canton, 105.72; Champion, 10; Coitsville, 5; Ellsworth, 12.50, S.S., 6; Hubbard, 20, S.C.E., 30; Massillon, 20.50; Middle Sandy, 12.58; Mineral Ridge, 10; Niles, 13.25; N. Benton, 28; Poland, 18.50, Y.L.B, 9.80, Ch. Workers, 8; Salem, 67.56, Amaranth, 10; Vienna, 5 25; Warren, 48.76, King's Daughter, 15; Youngstown, 1st, 74.47, Y.L.B., 13.67, S.S., 50; Westm'r, 18 50, 654.41

MARION.—Ashley, 12; Berlin, 8; Brown, 16.25; Cardington, 9; Chesterville, 9, Little Gleaners, 3; Delaware, 154, Y.P.B., 25, Gleaners, 40; Delhi, 3.25; Iberia, 9.50; Jerome, 39.14; Liberty, 30; Marion, 96.24, Landes Bd., 15.17; Marysville, 109; Milford Centre, 25; Mt. Gilead, 27; Ostrander, 21; Pisgah, 10, Y.P.B., 3.25; Radnor & Thompson, 8; Richwood, 6, S.C.E., Jr., 2; Trenton, 47.96, Rays of Light, 4; W. Berlin, 13; York, 1.50, 747.26

MONMOUTH.—Allentown, 90; Asbury Park, 1st, 27.50; Barnegat, 27.40; Beverly, 122.50; Bordentown, 48; Burlington, 95, V. R. Hodge Bd., 28.61, Busy Bees, Sr., 27.40, Busy Bees, Jr., 25.12; E. Burlington, S.S., 26; Columbus, 6.55; Cranbury, 1st., 60, S.C.E., 34; Cranbury, 2d, 107.20, S.S., 25, Bible Class, 8, S C.E., 15, Inf. Cl., 5, Willing Helpers, 40, Fruit Gleaners, 26; Cream Ridge, 12; Delanco, 2.50, Englishtown, Ogden Bd., 3.46; Freehold, 193.05, S.S., 108.24, Inf. Cl., 23.71, King's Helpers, 30; Heightstown, 50, Amaranth Bd., 30, Reapers, 4; Jacksonville, 8; Jamesburg, 66, S.S. 60; Lakewood, 78.28; Long Branch, 125; Manalapan, 20; Matawan, 50.70, Glenwood Bd., 40, W. Workers, 25, S.C.E, 12; Mt. Holly, 60.20, Holly Branch, 34.30, Oceanic Bd., 100; Perrineville, 15.75; Plattsburg, S.S., 7.50; Plumstead, Coral Builders, 14; Red Bank, Y.P.A., 20; Riverton, Earnest Workers, 30; Pt. Pleasant, 10; Shrewsbury, 92, Eatontown Bd., 2, S.C.E., 15; Tennent, 50.75, Immortelle Bd., 30, S.C.E., 5; Tuckerton, 24; W. Palmyra, S.S., 8.50, 2,305.22

(The balance of receipts for April will appear in the July number of WOMAN'S WORK.)

Total for April, 1894,	$65,544.34
Total for year	$145,603.90

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May 1, 1894. 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to April 20, 1894.

ABERDEEN.—Aberdeen, 5, Hope Bd., 30, Y.L.S., 12.50; Britton, 13.75; Groton, 19.91, Cheerful Workers, 15.39, 96.55

BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre, 12.57; Bellefontaine, 77; Buck Creek, 20; Bucyrus, 25; Crestline, 24.20; DeGraff, 13; Forest, 24.75; Galion, 7, Bd., 9.45; Huntsville, 23; Kenton, 64.13, S.S., 10.82; Marseilles, 6; Rushsylvania, 8; Spring Hills, 5; Tiro, 5; Upper Sandusky, 12.50; Urbana, 50; West Liberty, 7.60; Zanesfield, 5.70, 410.72

BLACK HILLS.—Rapid City, 10.40, S.S., Birthday off, 6.33, Working Bd., 4; Sturgis, 1.25; Whitewood, 7.70, 29.68

BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, C.E., 3, Bd., 1.88; Bloomington, 2d, 228.12; Clinton, Y.W.S., 3; Danville, Jr. C.E., 27.36; Gibson, 51.15, C.E., 5; Gilman, 18.50, C.E., 6.75; Heyworth, C.E., 15; Prairie View, 7; Selma, C.E., 3.64, 370.40

BOULDER.—Berthoud, 12.04; Boulder, 39.46; Cheyenne, 14; Ft. Collins, 12; Ft. Morgan, 11.30; Greeley, 5; Longmont, 5.18, 98.98

CAIRO.—Anna, 29.48; Cairo, 28; Carbondale, 12; Carmi, 31.75, Pr. off., 15; Flora, 2.46, Willing Workers, 7; Galum, C.E., 2.10; Metropolis, 4.91; Murphysboro, 2.35; Mt. Carmel, 4.44; Odin, 2.05; Olney, 14.08; Shawneetown, 1.92, 157.54

CEDAR RAPIDS.—Anamosa, 7.15; Blairstown, 32.42, King's Daughters, 1, Y.L.B., 5.90, C.E., 9.60, Jr. C.E., 6.10; Cedar Rapids, 1st, 156.08, Girls' Bd., 15, S.S., 65.11, C.E., 5; 2d, 55, King's Children, 6.25, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 5; 4th, 2; Central Park, 19.93; Centre Junction, 3.70; Clarence, 7; Clinton, 3, C.E., 5, Jr. C.E., 16; Garrison, 16; Linn Grove, Aurora Borealis, 10; Marion, 65.18, C.E., 8.46; Mechanicsville, S.S., 15; Monticello, C.E., 1.75; Mt. Vernon, 14.25; Onslow, 4; Scotch Grove, 3.76; Springville, 11; Wyoming, 23.23, C.E., 5, S.S., 7.70; Vinton, 138.61, S.S., 35, C.E., 5, 795.18

CENTRAL DAKOTA.—Brookings, 4.42, Good Will Bd., 2.90; Flandreau, 2d, S.S., 6; Huron, S.S., 25; White, 3.30; Wentworth, 2.10; Woonsocket, 12; Wolsey, 1.40, 57.12

CHIPPEWA.—Ashland, 2; Eau Claire, 9; Chippewa, 4; Hudson, 25.26, Willing Workers, 12.74; Superior, 5.50; West Superior 2.10, 60.60

CHICAGO.—Arlington Heights, 2.25; Brookline, 5; Chicago, 1st, 144.50, Jr. C.E., 10, Railroad Chapel, Y.L.S., 6.25; 2d, 124.50, S.S., 39.06, Moseley Chapel S.S., 30; 3d, 640, Y.W.S., 300, Seed Sowers, 17.50, Boys' Bd., 1.50; 4th, 631.30, Y.W.S., 31.50, Christ Chapel Sewing School, 29.12; 6th, 99.20, S.S., 35.37, C. E., 20; 8th, Morning Star Bd., 25; 41st St. Ch., 64.50, S.S., 8, C E., 5, Pleasant Hour Club, 1 80; Belden Av. Ch., 6; Ch. of the Covenant, 20.19; Campbell Park Ch., 12.90; DuPage, 17, A friend, 42; Fullerton Av. Ch., 6; Jefferson Park Ch., 56.50; Lake View Ch., Jr., C.E., 10; La Grange, C.E., 12.50; Harvey, 3.60; Hinsdale, Mrs. E. C. Linsley, 1; Kankakee, C.E., 17.76; Englewood, 1st, Pr. off., 30; 60th St. Ch., 90 cts., C.E., 20; Evanston, 153.25, Y.L.S., 50, Chapel, Onward Bd., 6.75; South Evanston, 14.18; Highland Park, 50;

Homewood, 7; Joliet, Central Ch., 254.92, S.S., 13 90; Lake Forest, 250, College Y.M.C.A., 85, Steady Streams, 6.24; Manteno, 5; Maywood, 16; Normal Park, 32.20; Coal City, New Hope Ch., 11.35; Oak Park. 16.81, Pr. off., 17.19; Peotone, Light Bearers, 20; River Forest, 24; Englewood, Miss Ada Harwood, 40; Income from Real Estate, 244.30, Anon, 1; Contingent Fund, 50, 3,896.79

CORNING.—Afton, 6.60; Bedford, 26.15, C.E., 5; Clarinda, 29.60, Pilgrim Bd., 8.25; Corning, 18, S.S., 10; Creston, 12; Emerson, 3.15, Jr. C.E., 2.56; Essex, 10, S.S., 5; Gravity, 2.25; Lenox, Willing Workers, 4.50; Malvern, 23, S.S., 7.61; Randolph, 1.36; Red Oak, 9.17; Shenandoah, 22, S.S., 15 76, C.E., 6.25; Villisca, 9, 237 21

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Attica, 25.85, King's Daughters, 20.50; Bethany, 16; Bethel, 2.85; Beulah, 42.08; Clinton, 20.35, Willing Workers, 4.67; Crawfordsville, 1st, 5; Centre Ch., 40, Bible School, 35, Y.L.S., 12.40; Dana, 4; Darlington, 5; Dayton, 35.50, S.S., 70; Delphi, 41.35, S.S., 5.86; Frankfort, 58.60, C.E., 2 38, Simpson Bd., 37 80; Hopewell, 3; Judson, 16.50; Kirklin, 1.40; Lafayette, 1st, S.S., 6.60; 2d, 35.09, C.E., 10; Lebanon, 5; Lexington, 10.80; Newtown, 3.10, Buds of Promise, 1 25; Rockfield, 2.50; Rockville, 154, S.S., 32, C.E., 3.40; Romney, 10.50; Spring Grove, 21.28; Thorntown, 5; Union, 7; Veedersburgh, 2.70; Waveland, 27.50, C.E., 40 cts.; Williamsport, 19; Miss Frances Bishop, 5, 867.61

DENVER.—Central City, C.E., 10; Denver, Central Ch., 74.84, Th. off., 163.73, Y L.B., 50, Jr. C.E., 28.75, Mrs. Blaine and Mrs. Hobbs, 10, C.E., 24.50; 1st Ave. Ch., 34.49, S.S., 10, Bd. Sixteen, 20; 23d Av. Ch., Willing Workers, 11.62, Silver Cross Bd., 8; Hyde Park, 2.70; Westm'r Ch., 32.97; North Denver, 2.50, Y.L.S., 4.75; Otis, C.E., 1.35; Cont. fund, 1 ct., 490.21

DES MOINES.—Adel, 10; Albia, 6, C.E., 5; Allerton, 4; Chariton, 12.50, C.E., 3.50, S.S., 2.22; Dallas Centre, 14; Des Moines, Central Ch., 80, S.S., 12.79, C.E., 57.50, Jr. C.E., 12; 6th, 18 73, C.E., 2.68, Jr. C.E., 1; Clifton Heights Ch., 5; Highland Park Ch., 5, C.E., 3; Dexter, 12.50; E. Des Moines, 32.50, Cheerful Workers, 3, S.S., 41.20; Garden Grove, 5.34; Grimes, 5; Humeston, 4.85, C.E., 5; Indianola, 13.04; Knoxville 21, C.E., 4; Lineville, 5; Leighton, 18.82; Leon, 14.50, A friend, 2; New Sharon, 2, C.E., 2; Olivet, 3.50; Osceola, 4; Oskaloosa, 25.50; Panora, 10; Perry, 12, Jr. C.E., 2.50, S.S., 7; Russell, 8.24, C.E., 3.25; Winterset, 41.41, Faith Bd., 6.50, June Circle, 15 (less 5, mis-credited to Newton, in Jan.), 585.57

Remainder of Report will be given next month.

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Chicago, April 20. 1894.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the Month Ending April 12, 1894.

AUSTIN.—Austin, 26.15; Brownwood, Willing Workers, 16; San Antonio, Madison Square, 35.90, $78.05

CIMMERAN.—Edmond, 3; El Reno, 5.25, 8.25

EMPORIA.—Argonia, 2.50; Arkansas City, 10; Burlingame, 10; Burlington, 8.25; Caldwell, 6.25, Earnest Workers, 6.50, C.E., 5.25; Council Grove, 56.01, C.E., 7.50; Derby, 14.50, Morning Stars, 1; El Dorado, 20, C.E., 5.50; Elmendaro, 5; Emporia, 53.52; Howard, Jun. C.E., 1.50; Indianola, 2.50; Marion, 17.20; Mulvane, 2.40; New Salem, 1.50; Newton, 26.20, Jun. C.E., 7, S.S., 12.06; Osage City, 6.74; Peabody, 30.12; Quenemo, 15; Walnut Valley, 1.05; Waverly, 21.21; Wellington, 32.20, C.E., 15; White City, 3.13, M.B., 5.50; Wichita, 1st, 3.75, Y.W.L., 17.47, Willing Workers, 1.85, C.E., 9; Wichita, Lincoln St., 1.90; Wichita, West Side, 11; Winfield, 8 50; Presbyterial Tk. Off., 6.50, 472.06

HIGHLAND.—Axtell, 4, S.S., 2.72; Baileyville, 15; Blue Rapids, 3.90, S.S., 5.12; Clifton, 11.55; Frankfort, 1; Hiawatha, 9.41, C.E., 10; Highland, 28.36, Willing Workers, 6, S.S., 7.26; Holton, 29.50 Horton, 14.82, C.E., 15; Hopewell, C.E., 1.80; Irving, 3 10; Washington, 15.45, C.E., 3.45, S.S., 3.30, 190.74

KANSAS CITY.—Appleton City, 8.83; Brownington, 5.75; Butler, 76.14, Active Workers, 7.50, C.E., 11; Clinton, 19.25, Y.L.S., 5.35, Willing Workers, 3.50; Creighton, O.B.M.S., 2.50, Willing Workers, 5.25, C.E., 60 cts.; Holden, 14.40; Greenwood, 2.05; Independence, 28.15; Kansas City, First, 140.15, Rays of Light, 49, S.S.M.S., 48; Second, 145.07, S.S. Primary, 70 49, Jun. C.E., 8; Third, 3; Fourth, 3.80; Fifth, 16.81, Y.L.C., 15.62, Jun. C.E., 3.01; Linwood, 9.25, C.E., 15, Jun. C.E., 1.50; Knobnoster, 5.17, Willing Hands, 6.26; Nevada, 8.50, Little Gleaners, 2; Osceola, 10.76; Raymore, 12.53, Busy Harvesters, 8.10, S.S., 7; Sedalia, Broadway, 48.32, S.S.M.S, 163.50; Central, 13; Sharon, 6.65; Tipton, 5, 1,015.76

LARNED.—Anthony, 2.45, C.E., 10,11; Arlington, 6.50; Burrton, 9.90, Earnest Workers, 2.05; Dodge City, C.E., 1.50; Freeport, 3; Halstead, 45 cts.; Hutchinson, 40.55, Pearl Gatherers, 17, C.E., 7, S S., 7.64; Lyons, 6; McPherson, 21.85, Pansies, 3, C.E., 15; Pratt, 2, C.E., 2, Child's Band, 5; Sterling, C.E., 5, Daisy Miss. Band, 9, 177.00

NEOSHO.—Carlyle, 19; Central City, Mrs. McClung & Son, 15; Cherokee, 2; Cherryvale, 3, C.E., 5; Coffeyville, 6; Colony, 7, Band, 4; Columbus, 7.50; Ft. Scott, 15; Garnett, 3; Girard, 4.74; Humboldt, 31.15; Independence, 16.27, Jun. C.E., 2.63; Iola, 8.75; Lone Elm, 3.60; Louisburgh, 6; Moran, 1.65, C.E., 5; Neosho Falls, 2, C.E., 5; Osawatamie, 2.50; Oswego, 2<.25, C.E., 3.75, College Band, 4.25; Ottawa, 10.65, C.E., 10; Parsons, 12, Y.L.S., 11.25, C.E., 8 90, Band, 6.72; Pittsburgh, C.E., 10; Princeton, Band, 5; Toronto, 4.50; Yates Center, 15, 303.06

NORTH TEXAS.—Dennison, 2.42, C E., 13, S.S.M.S., 6.75; Gainsville, 10, Faithful Stewards, 15, 47.17

OSBORNE.—Bow Creek, Little Lights, 1.50; Calvert, C.E. and S.S., 2.02; Colby, 6; Fairport, C.E., 5.32; Hays City, 10.55, Bethlehem Stars, 4, C.E., 5; Hill City, 2.20; Oberlin, 7.50, Jun. C.E., 5; Russell, 1.15, C.E., 4; WaKeeney, 8.93, Pearl Gatherers, 96 cts., 64 13

OZARK.—Ash Grove, 6.35, S.S., 2.81; Carthage, First, 36.50, Deo Data, 9.80, Alden Miss. Circle, 8.30, S.S., 3 67; Westm'r Ch., 36.34; Eureka Springs, 7.13; Grace, 3.50; Joplin, First, 5.75, C.E., 2.50; Mt. Vernon, 1.10; Neosho, 7.38, C.E., 2.25; Springfield, Calvary, 21, Willing Workers, 6.50, C.E., 22; Springfield, 2d, 5; Webb City, 10; White Oak, 4.50, 202.38

PALMYRA.—Brookfield, 10.20; Bethel, Linneus, 1.80; Edina, 5.50, S.S., 2; Glasgow, 5; Hannibal, 11.90, Jun. C.E., 5; Kirksville, 7.50, Jun. C.E., 30 cts.; Knox City, 3; Louisiana, 12.95, C.E., 2.50, Jun. C.E., 2.60; La Grange, 2.50; Lagonda, 1.20; Meadville Center, 1.50; Milan, 7; Macon, 10, C.E., 1; Moberly, 10.25, C.E., 1.45, Y.W.S., 2.50; New Cambria, 2.10; Unionville, 5; Presbyterial, 6.07, 120.82

PLATTE.—Avalon, 7.50; Cameron, 13.65; Carrollton, Willing Workers, 5; Chillicothe, 10; Fairfax, 5; King City, 3.57, Little Gleaners, 4.20; Lathrop, 6.50; Maryville, 23.85, Busy Bees, 2.10; Oregon, 14.50; Parkville, 27.66, Y.L.S., 1.50, Busy Bees, 1.06; St. Joseph, Westminster, 15; Tarkio, 27.75; Weston, 4; Presbyterial, 5, 177.84

SOLOMON.—Abilene, 23, C.E., 15; Belleville, 11.40; Beloit, 8.75; Bennington, 3.50; Cheever, 4.65; Clyde, 6.50, S.S., 50 cts.; Delphos, 4.17, C.E., 5; Lincoln, 3.60, Jun. C.E., 6.29; Minneapolis, 8.14, C.E., 20.67, Crystal Drops, 6.60; Poheeta, 3.50, C.E., 1.62; Salina, 51.40; Solomon City, C.E., 2.02, Jun. C.E., 2.50, 188.81

ST. LOUIS.—Bristol and Whitewater, 7.75; Cornwall, 1.30; De Soto, 5; Ironton, 1.40, C.E., 3; Kirkwood, 17.75; Poplar Bluff, 6; Rock Hill, 15, Willing Hands, 17; St. Charles, Jefferson Str., 10.11, Lindenwood College, Y.L.M.B., 23.87; St. Louis, Biddle Market, King's Daughters, 6; Carondelet, 9.88, Willing Workers, 22.50, C.E., 20, Y P.M.B., 8.16; Church of the Covenant, 5.12, C.E., 5; First German, 12; Forest Park Univ., Y.L.M.S., 9.07; First, 231.75, C.E., 50, Y.L. Guild, 25; Glasgow, 12.20; Lafayette Park, 116.80, Jun. C.E., 8.46, S.S., 15; North, 39; Second, Wall Builders, 100, C.E., 40, S.S., 50; Washington and Compton Aves., 168.50; West, 80, King's Children, 36.60, Jun. C.E., 5; Union, 1; Webster Groves, 46.68; Windsor Harbor, 3; A Friend, 6.60, 1,235.50

TOPEKA.—Clay Centre, 5; Junction City, 20; Kansas City, Central, 8.50, King's Messengers, 4.25, C.E., 15, Jun. C.E., 1.44; Grandview Park, 26.08, C.E., 7.50; Highland, 30; First, 33.10; Lawrence, 25.32; Leavenworth, 29, C.E., 25; Manhattan, 3; Morganville, Willing Workers, 14; Oakland, C.E., 4; Olathe, 5, Jun. C.E., 2; Rossville, 12; Topeka, First, 65, S.S., 24.05, Y.W.M.S., 25; Second, 5; Westminster, 10.01; Vinland, 7.48; Wakurusa, 2.50, 409.23

TRINITY.—Baird, 7.50

MISCELLANEOUS.—Returned, 4.57; Mrs. G. W. Weyer, Med. Com., 22; Park Hill, Sam'l Worcester Soc., 8.50; Muscogee, 5; Mrs. E. T. Jacke, 5; Mrs. C. B. Beck, 1; Mrs. H. E. Worthington, canceled stamps, 25; Mound City, 9.53, 80.60

Total for the month,	$4,778.90
Total for the year,	$12,188.90

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Receipts of the Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions to April 25, 1894.

LOS ANGELES.—Redlands, Livingston Bd., $25

OAKLAND.—Danville, 7, C.E., 2.25; Haywards, 6, 15.25

SACRAMENTO.—Sacramento, Westminster, Jr. C.E., 10; Vacaville, 4, 14

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco, St John's, 50

MISCELLANEOUS.—Mrs. Schenck, 5

Total for month, $109.25

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